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SUNDAY MORNING JANUARY 11 1885

STREET SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS
PORTLAND Dec. 31 1884

GENTLEMEN I beg leave to submit the following annual report of the street improvements that have been made, but will give the aggregate amount of work in measurement and respectfully refer you to the very exhaustive report of the city surveyor for details

Thirteen miles and four hundred and twenty lineal feet macadamized 1 7 lineal feet Belgian or stone blocks, 1 6 lineal feet planked, 168 lineal feet bridges, 80 487 lineal feet sidewalks, 3801 lineal feet wood crosswalks, 90 lineal feet stone crosswalks. Including those above there are at present 100 streets in the city that are wholly or partially improved aggregating about 8 miles macadamized miles Belgian blocks, 2 miles planked road way 94 miles sidewalks, 1 6 miles wooden crosswalks 1 miles stone crosswalks and 2 miles bridges There are now about 11 miles of graded streets which have not been paved

SEWERAGE

There are at present about 13½ miles of sewers in use classified as follows Nineteen thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven lineal feet, nine inch 840 lineal feet, 10 inch 40 6" lineal feet, 1 inch 1 4 lineal feet, 15 inch 2 960 lineal feet 18 inch terra cotta pipe of which 1 8 lineal feet were laid during the year just past These drains all extend to the Willamette river and discharge their contents into the stream immediately in front of the city, a disagreeable fact which will eventually demand more serious consideration than is now accorded to it

Owing to the impracticability of accomplishing anything having for its object a remedy on account of scarcity of money to appropriate for the purpose I will not venture to make any suggestions in relation to the matter but will consign the subject to your honorable body promising however, to give any assistance whenever it may desire it to the fulfillment of any project looking toward sanitary improvements While on this subject I would respectfully ask that you consider the practicability of adopting a system whereby all sewer drains that are hereafter laid in the northwestern portion of the city or more particularly that part west of North Thirteenth street and north of Glisan street shall extend north and south By this means their outlet will be below the city front as it is now issued while their practical uses will not be diminished

STREET LAMPS

There have been erected during the year past by your order nine gas street lamps and 33 oil street lamps These added to the number in existence on January 1, 1884, make a total of 211 gas and 209 oil lamps in operation at the present time The oil lamps are classified into 144 B burners, or one inch, and 135 D burners, or one and one-half inch

Permits have been granted by this department during the year for the following purposes To dig up streets for sewer connections, 122 to dig up streets for water connections, 163 to dig up streets for gas connections, 58, to occupy streets for building purposes 156 for removal of buildings 20 for improving streets, 31 notices to repair streets and sidewalks have been served on property owners with very good effect, although the practice has been almost unanimously complained by the recipients of such notices, and I have been obliged in many cases to cause their enforcements by prosecution in the police court, a very disagreeable duty for me to perform having to cause the arrest of some of the most respectable and otherwise law abiding citizens I am of the opinion that a method could be inaugurated whereby more satisfactory results could be obtained than is possible under the present one

For the purpose of drawing your attention more directly to this matter I will suggest that an ordinance be passed that will empower the city to make all necessary repairs to streets, sidewalks, bridges, &c and pay for the same out of a fund for the purpose, raised by general taxation, or else cause the property owner to pay for such repairs by placing a lien on the property to the amount of the cost of the work with the cost of collection added Such an ordinance will, in my judgment, be productive of more good to the people in general than one which bears questionable validity, as is the case with the one now in operation

I cannot see how a stringent and effective law upon this subject can work injury to any one, while the benefits to be derived are numerous The fear of its enforcement will, in all probability, render its operation unnecessary, as more care will be displayed by owners toward the condition of the streets adjacent to their property

The sum of $2263 61 has been expended during the year by this department in making repairs to streets, bridges, parks, etc., that come under my immediate supervision, and I can assure you that not one item included therein was unnecessarily applied, but on the contrary, more money could be used with good effect were it available for the purpose.

This expenditure was consumed almost entirely in the purchase of material, consisting of lumber, nails sand, rock, etc., that was used, the labor employed was performed by the city prisoners.

There are at present in active operation in the city about miles of single track and two miles of double track railway, the location of which is familiar to you all. In this connection I would respectfully suggest that owing to the narrowness of our streets the construction of double tracks be prohibited, as careful observation has led me to believe that they work vast injury to the thoroughfare, inasmuch as the travel of ordinary vehicles is confined to a very limited portion of the street, the evil effects of which are apparent to the most casual observer

In a communication to your honorable body a short time since, I referred to the baneful result arising from the practice which is allowed of making amazing streets, while the earth comprising the foundation of the work is in a plastic state I will again, with your permission, ask that the ordinance relating to such work be so modified as to require a course of sand not less than six inches in depth between the earth and bottom course of rock. This, in my opinion, will provide for the proper absorption of the water and produce a firm bed for the reception of the upper work. In conclusion I would offer the following recommendations

That all streets which are now and those which may hereafter be paved, either by ordinance or permit, shall be accepted and kept in repair by the city

That a dumping place be provided for scavengers, or in lieu thereof, that some arrangement be made whereby all garbage, refuse and offal matter may be transported beyond the limits of the city

That the city erect an approved manner that will make it available for use by completing the wharf and superstructure and making it accessible for teams

That additional improvements be made in the city park with the object of making it an attractive and permanent summer resort More roads should be made within it, similar to the present one, so that a larger portion of it will be accessible for vehicles, and numerous foot paths should be laid out for the pedestrians

A small outlay of money each year would eventually transform it into a most useful and ornamental piece of property, the possession of which would be both gratifying and creditable to the citizens of Portland Respectfully submitted F P VALOHN, Superintendent of Streets

MILITARY AFFAIRS

The following military notes have been collated from the Vancouver *Independent*

Lieutenant G P Cotton, First artillery, has had his leave extended 21 days.

Pay day yesterday, and now the boys in blue feel compensated for two months' more time.

John B Todd Company I, Fourteenth infantry, means, was sent to California to the Napa asylum the last inst.

Assistant Surgeon Wales is still at the post, the blockade preventing his journeying to his new post.

The storms have interfered with military telegraph lines in the department, every one of them being down to some extent.

A detachment of soldiers ordered to Fort Spokane have been to Portland and returned, but will get off on Saturday, if not before.

In the absence of eastern mails and orders, business is very dull at headquarters, but there will be a rush when communication opens again

The military authorities contemplate the building of a telephone line from headquarters to Portland the shortest across the Columbia near the Lucia mills

Lieutenant J. S. Parke, Twenty-first infantry, arrived in Portland Sunday He went by train from Walla Walla to Bonneville, and walked in from there, 40 miles. He wanted to see his girl.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A Record of Society Events of All Sorts During the Past Week

Marriage of H E McCann and Miss Maggie M Donnegan—The Parke-Brooke Wedding Personal Notes and Commen

FOR LAND

Mrs. Fred Eggert is visiting friends in Albany

Miss Addie Earhart of Salem is visiting in the city

F H Leighton of Astoria returned home Friday

Mrs. C Trapper of this city, visiting friends at Irving

W Muir Hill, of The Dalles, is registered at the city hotel.

F W Sharp and wife are visiting friends in Los Angeles

J W Coffran returned from San Francisco the last steamer

Mr J B Bigham and wife are visiting friends in San Francisco

Ex-Governor Will ard A Newell and son were in the city yesterday

Miss Teresa Smith of Magnolia, Or., is visiting friends in this city

Miss Cora Baker has been visiting friends in Salem during the week

Miss Gertie Sparr of Jefferson is receiving music lessons in the city

The Taylor Street Methodist church choir is now composed of male voices

Miss Pearl Scott of Salem is now reading on North Fourth street of this city

Misses Jessie and Alice Samuels, of Corvallis, are visiting friends in this city

Captain W S Lowell of Dayton, Or., was registered at the Quimby Tuesday

Captain Frank J Baldwin of the Tenth U S infantry and wife are in the city

Mr H B Miller of Grant's Pass visited the city for a few days during the week

Miss Nellie Blair of Corvallis, has returned from her vacation of St. Helens Hall

W D Caldwell, a merchant of Salem, was in the city on business during the week

Mrs I S Cowles left on the steamer last evening for a six weeks' visit to California.

The Aristos social club gave a pleasant bon ton party at their hall Tuesday evening

F I Smith, of the Oregon Short Line, paid a flying visit to Victoria during the week

The wife and daughter of J H T Hudson have returned from a visit to The Dalles

Captain James Hayes of Lowell, Mass., arrived by the snowbound train Wednesday

Mrs J M Buckley and daughter of Tacoma are in the city for a visit of several weeks

Otis Sprague, superintendent of the Kalama branch, was in the city early in the week.

Mrs H C Breeden returns on the incoming steamer, after a month's visit in California.

Quite a number of our society people will visit Salem during the session of the legislature

Harry M McCartney of Spokane Falls, has been calling upon his Portland friends during the week

Professor A I Francis and wife of Victoria are visiting friends in this city, and will remain several weeks

At a meeting of the Ergelite club Monday night it was decided to hold private parties twice a month only

Grant Holcomb and Miss Alice F French, daughter of J R French of this county, were married on Sunday last.

Wednesday evening a party was given at the residence of Frank Pekins to Miss Breyman of Salem, who is visiting the family

R Lewis, of San Francisco, who has been visiting his son M E Lewis for several weeks, returned home by the last steamer

Dr. C A Plummer, Hood Cushman and Wallace Ainsley and wife left for California on the steamer last night

Mr R I Cate and bride left on Monday's steamer for a visit to California and relatives in the east. We wish them a pleasant trip

Mrs. Wm G Crocker left on last night's steamer to attend the burial of her late husband who died in San Francisco on the 6th inst.

W D Plants and wife of Walla Walla will remove soon to this city, where Mr Plants intends going into business early next month

Miss Belforest the elocutionist of Willamette university of Salem intends giving a concert at Y M C A. hall in the city on the 19th of January.

Mack and Scott Brooke, who are attending school at Lawrenceville, New Jersey, spent the holidays in Washington, as the guests of Captain John Mullan.

Mrs J B Montgomery introduced the new game of "Commerce" at a gathering last week It is a game where "all hands" can participate, and was greatly enjoyed by those present.

W K Smith and daughter are now in Washington. They will soon leave for Mobile, Alabama, where they will be the guests of Dr E. B Showalter, and may be addressed there

Henry T Dittenhoefer, of the firm of Dittenhoefer, Hass & Co., who went east several weeks ago for the purpose of purchasing the spring stock, is registered at the Gilsey house, New York.

Captain M C Wilkinson and Miss Eva Wilkinson left Wednesday evening for Fort Missoula. Miss Lulu Eaton will join them at Fort Missoula in a few days, and remain several months as the guest of Miss Wilkinson. Mrs. Wilkinson and son remain at the family home in Forest Grove

Mrs Matthew P Deady who is now visiting in Washington City, will return home in February Her son Hennerson, who has been with her in New York and Washington during the past two months, has returned to his school at Lawrenceville, New Jersey

About twenty-five couples attended the complimentary party given Mrs Breyman of Salem by Miss Dekum at the latter's home on Eleventh street Wednesday evening Dancing, games and social chat comprised the principal part of the programme, and the friendly manner in which a "good night" was spoken by those present denoted that all enjoyed the evening to its fullest extent.

Company G of the state militia intend producing the drama "Rosedale" at New Market theater during the week commencing January 19, including a matinee Saturday The play will be further added to by a bayonet drill by the company and an exhibition by the drum corps Mr Grismer and wife are to assist, and a success is assured The names of the principal participants have already appeared

Henry F McGinn, junior member of the law firm of Sears & McGinn and Miss Maggie M Donegan were married at the Catholic cathedral Thursday evening The ceremony was performed by Rev J. K Fierens, and was a private one After its conclusion the young couple were driven to the residence of the bride's father, where a reception was held. Mr. and Mrs McGinn commence housekeeping in South Portland, and many friends wish them well in their new life

SURPRISE PARTY

Mrs Garland and Miss F Snodgrass of Astoria, are in the city on a brief visit

The young people of Taylor street church are ably assisted at their prayer meetings Sunday nights by an orchestra composed of two violins, a violin-cello, cornet, organ and piano

Invitations are out for the marriage of Lieutenant J S Parke Jr, and Miss Nellie Brooke, which will occur next Wednesday night at Trinity church The reception takes place at her father's residence, on Seventh and Washington at 9 P M.

Miss Alice Clay, having reached the delightful age of eighteen on Tuesday, was tendered a pleasant surprise party on the evening of that day, at her home on Eleventh and Market streets About fifteen couple met at the home of Miss Wiswell and went in a body to Miss Clay's residence. After a complete surprise the company enjoyed a few hours in singing and social intercourse, etc One of the young gentlemen present played a nice joke on the young ladies and found he had "more on a string" than he could manage, but all enjoyed the evening thoroughly

EAST PORTLAND

Max M Meyer and Miss Carrie Sprecher were married at the groom's residence, in this city, Wednesday, by Rev John W Sellwood

Henry Pape, who has been in the Coeur d'Alene mines for some time past, was one of the passengers arriving home by the snowbound train Wednesday

A very pleasant musical entertainment was given at Neppach's hall Tuesday evening last in aid of Miss May Predell. Several of our musical people assisted and a pleasant evening was passed Miss Bredell has a sweet voice of considerable power and gave several selections.

ALBANY

Miss Maggie White of Portland, is visiting friends here

Dr J D Freeland of Holgate, of Corvallis, was in the city yesterday on business

TUALATIN

Mr and Mrs George A. Dorris, of Astoria, who have been visiting friends in this city, left for home early in the week.

HILLSBORO.

Miss Minnie Wilcox, of Salem, who has been visiting friends here for several days, returned to her home Monday

JACKSONVILLE

Mrs Judge Tolman and Levi Tolman and wife have returned from their eastern trip

MCMINNVILLE

Miss E R Ross is able to be out of doors once more, having nearly recovered from the effects of her recent accident.

Henry Warren and wife entertained Ben Chinn wedding Monday evening, it being a pleasant party The celebration was unanimous and on their part, as the neighbors surprise call but it was none the less enjoyable

INDEPENDENCE

Miss Elsie Pushee has returned to school at Walla Walla.

Mr and Mrs I L Tustin have gone to Portland, where Mrs Tustin will remain while Mr Tustin goes on to Salem to attend the legislature

FOREST GROVE

Captain H I Beecher will remain with us quietly with his family

Miss Blossom Sheehan has gone to Scotts Mills and the sisters school

ROSEBURG

The most fashionable wedding of the season occurred at the residence of the bride's parents in Roseburg, January 6 the contracting parties being A Mensor of Jacksonville and Miss Rose Hoover Rev J H Skiff officiated The ceremony was performed with the ring and the handkerchief used with which the bride was married Many friends and relatives were present from the country and the happy couple left on the train for Jacksonville where they will be domiciled

SALEM

Miss Annie Holt of Roseburg, is visiting friends in the city

A J Lockhart of Marshfield is visiting his old home for a few days

The capital city presents a very gay appearance for the next few months

Walter Smith of the Pioneer, Or., is in attendance on the legislature as a reporter

Isaac Korn has gone to Seattle for a few nights trip Rumor says he will not return alone

A pleasant party was held last Saturday evening by Miss Frankie Jones, at her home on Canty Hill

Miss A B. Tuse of Portland will give a reading at the Presbyterian church hall next Monday evening

James M Forsythe and Miss Jennie Starkey were married on Sunday last, at the residence of Jonathan Steiger

During the legislative session, Mrs Governor Moody will give a series of fortnightly receptions at her residence

SPOKANE FALLS.

Miss Gertie Kanaki has gone to San Francisco

J R McDonald left Monday for the east, to remain six weeks

Mrs W B Brosser and son were expected to arrive home last evening

Mrs W H Taylor, who has been suffering from illness several weeks has nearly recovered

Captain W R Ballard and family, who have been visiting in California for some time past, are at home once more

Miss Nellie Parkinson assisted Louise Humphrey Smith Tuesday evening at the latter's entertainment at the university

The marriage of Ella, daughter of Mr and Mrs Moses Kohn, to Fred Bories, is announced to take place at the residence of the brides parents, on Washington, between Tenth and Eleventh streets, this afternoon at 4 P M

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES.

News of General Interest to those who have 'Ridden the Goat'

Elections and Installations Progress of the Various Orders in the Northwest Personal Notes Etc

Knights of Pythias

The Ashland lodge has forty members

The birthday anniversary of Salem Willgive a grand ball February 19th

The Knights in Tacoma have erected a Masonic hall for their meetings

A petition signed by twenty-five persons has been sent to the grand lodge asking for a charter for a new lodge in Hamilton

Central Lodge No 15 of Salem installed the following officers Wednesday evening C A Bantz C C H Hall Prel A A Burtchaell V C W H Watkins K of R and S Wade M of F Geo Rogers M of E Houston, M of F J A Hinman, trustee

Tuesday evening the following officers of Capital Lodge No 11 of this city were installed by Deputy Grand Chancellor Roberts assisted by Past Chancellors Halsted, Mosier, Rigg, Byers of Corinth Lodge and Hall of Pholbury After the ceremonies were over, an oyster supper in social conference

The following officers of Myrtle Lodge No 14 of Portland were duly installed by D G C Loeb Hayes C Terry Colburn V C Lewis Hendricks P Howard Wells M of F Emmons M of E Dr Sykes M of E Wm Markham I G J A Grant O G, F W Hadley Trustees J M Grimmer, E A Graves and H Brook

Wednesday evening the officers of Excelsior Lodge No 1, Knights of Pythias were installed by D G C Loeb E Long C C A L Jewell Long C, J G Hoag V C Lester Patterson M of F Turner M of W Fuhrer K of R and S Capron M of E Hall Rifle F E, H R Long I G Capitain O G H C Hoag Trustees F E Hall, H Holmes and A E Jewelling Musical selection, F E Long

All state lodges of knights Pythias will install officers on the first meeting nights of the month Excelsior and Castle, of this city, have installed on their 2nd suppers furnished by Turnverein Portland, of East Portland, expect soon to give a public social All city lodges report having taken in new members during the past term, and show a healthy increase in confidence They have been called upon to furnish relief in a few extreme cases, and in report it to new depth

The officers elected by Jerusalem City Lodge, Knights of Pythias were installed on Friday evening as follows H Huggerich C C T D Brown V C Frank W Clyde prelate W G Rindt master of exchequer J P Mosher, master of finance C H Brewster K of R and S J C Haines, M of E A E Gardner, I G Bowdoin O G After the installation Mr Davis returning chancellor commander, was presented on behalf of the members of the lodge, with a gold chain and charm in the shape of C on the edge of the order

G A R

The following officers of Geo H Thomas post No 3 Portland were installed Tuesday evening January 6, by Past Commander E K Kent C James P Shaw S V C H M McMaster J V C Jas Miller surgeon, Thos Lawrence chaplain, H H Northrup Q M Wm T Atwood adjutant, W Christopher O D H E Bach O G W J Shipley

The following officers of Lincoln post No 1 Portland were installed Thursday evening January 8 by Past Department Commander Cohen assisted by Past Commanders Rob Wheeler and John Cohen C O Colby V C Wm M Brooks J T J Milner K of R and S, H Hamilton M of F Lincoln M of E N H Heath M at A Russell R I J W Tozer A G, J Beckwith

The newly elected officers of Hannah Lodge No 15, of East Portland were last night duly installed into office Tuesday evening by district Deputy Henry Meyer assisted by Past Councilors Halsted Mosier, Riggs, Byers of Corinth Lodge and Hall of Pholbury After the ceremonies were over, an hour was spent in social conference

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Masonic

The new Masonic temple at Helena, Montana, cost $ 6,0 0

Encampa Masons will give a grand ball the 1st of this month

Washington territory has forty-nine lodges and 1,6 3 members

Mr Steele the supreme lecturer of the Royal Templars has instituted council in Nanaimo with fifty charter members

The following officers of Victoria Columbia lodge No 1, I A A M were installed by P M Sir James Millar on Monday evening past Salmon W M D Cormack S W W Percival, J W J L Bates, treasurer I S Cohen, secretary R J Esquith S D M Salmon J D A F Hockaway, regalia R B Ellis J G W Tickey, tyler C W Mckenzie new secretary Asylum lodge, Nanaimo has immediate past master

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Star Lodge No 1 , organized last July now has a membership of twelve hundred and fifty in Portland, and is next to the youngest one in the state

Grand and Mid grand are having a friendly competition for the sixth place in the first financial strength November 1884 the fifth in record gave Multnomah 1500 members and 1,8 3

The following officers were installed in Multnomah lodge, No 48, were installed, and on the 1st Monday evening, January 5 D D M Pentz secretary, D M Mosell D D M, Almon Cummings M of W, Bruce Smith financier, J Schramm inside sentinel, George Hartness outside sentinel, Dr. Wilson physician, Dr. Campbell R S N G, George Hartness L S N G, Alfred L Bridges R S, J N Patton L S N, H M Wilson

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SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

The Association of German engineers numbers 5100 members.

Citric acid has been ascertained by Dr Schultz to possess powerful antiseptic properties

An industrious statistician has calculated that there are manufactured 80,000,000 pins every day.

According to the last annual report of the American Association for the Advancement of Science had 20 members

Oil is now extracted from the seeds of grapes in Italy Young grapes yield a most and black kinds more than white

An English firm has begun the manufacture of casks and barrels of steel They are lighter than wood and are more durable

Professor J F Ratcliffe has invented a bombshell filled with poisonous air which he expects will prove the most dangerous weapon yet discovered

A tricycle postal delivery system is to be tried by the postmaster general of Victoria at Portland Sale and Ararat with the view of extending it if it proves successful to other districts of the colony

Mons. Ballard has found that the average moisture of the flours of commerce is 14 per cent It varies with the hygrometric state of the air, and is from 1 to 2 per cent greater in winter than in summer

To detect cotton oil in olive oil mix the oil in question with a so union of basic lead acetate and let it stand for 12 to 24 hours If cotton oil is present it takes a red color, like fresh-prepared tincture of myrrh

The making of large chases is a matter of many difficulties, as may be inferred from the fact that there have been 19 failure to cast the 36-inch glass for the great Lick telescope to be mounted in California

Bronze is a mixture of copper and tin sometimes lead, the proportions of which vary somewhat, but are usually as nine to one It is often adulterated with zinc, but when this is the case its surface homeoconts on the exposure

In order to make plaster cast quickly mix it with water into which a little sulphate of potash has been dissolved, to make it set slowly, mix it with fine slaked lime This time of setting may be regulated by changing the relative quantities

An establishment in the Hebrides which treats sweet for sodium according to Mr Edward Stanford F S obtains an illuminating gas and by product The process is very delicate night and porous damask ammonia and tin

On some occasions of collision having observed that two or three second after stones had fallen to the ground they sprung into the air again to a height of from eight inches to more than 11 inches, as if they had been struck upward by the earth

The coal annually in the Nord district of France produced 9,789 000 tons of coal last year, an increase of three per cent on the quantity of the preceding year To raise this total 19 880 men were employed, and of these there were about 10 to 10 engaged under ground

It has been found that a mixture of 70 parts of air and 30 parts of hydrogen gas ignites at a temperature of between 1025 degrees and 1028 degrees while the ignition point of a mixture of coal gas with air in familiar proportions varies from 1560 degrees to 1210 degrees

From experiment made upon him the French savant conclude that contrary to the generally received opinion whole meat bread or that containing all the ingredients of the grain is less whole nourishing and more digestible than that which is used by fashion and pallor is favored by Dr Whitman

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DR. WHITMAN

Another Contribution to the Discussion Respecting Him.

A LETTER FROM REV M EELLS

A Review of the Positions of Mrs. Victor and Hon Elwood Evans, from the Missionary Standpoint.

SKOKOMISH, W T Dec 30, 1884

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN

In your issue of November 7th is an article by Mrs F F. Victor about Dr M Whitman Will you have the kindness to permit me to correct some mistakes and make a few comments upon it I will take up the points mainly in the same order in which I find them in the article

First—Mrs. Victor says the object of Gov Simpson's journey around the world in 1841 was 'the study of the fur trade and not politics Such a statement needs qualification as to the fact and certainly as to the inference from it about Gov Simpson's interest in the political question of Oregon It is true that his main object was the study of the fur trade, but he certainly did study the politics of this country at the same time, for its politics very materially affect the fur trade The Hudson Bay company to this day affirm that they hoped to obtain all of Washington territory north and west of the Columbia river Dr W F Tolmie, formerly in charge of Fort Nisqually, told me so within a month Had it was a political subject Simpson in his journey around the world (American edition 1847) did not a part of chapter six to a discussion of this political question, and says (page 151) 'The United States will never possess more than a nominal jurisdiction nor long possess even that on the western side of the Rocky mountains and supposing the country to be divided tomorrow to the entire satisfaction of the nation, I challenge conquest to bring me prediction and its own power to the test by imposing the Atlantic tariff on the ports of the Pacific So Governor Simpson made his journey to study the fur trade and study politics and he accomplished both

Second—In speaking of Mr Farnham's meeting Dr Whitman's wagon at Fort Boise in 1837 (1839) she says 'Farnham remarks that it was left there under the belief that it could not be taken through the Blue mountains But fortunately for the next that all attempt to cross the continent *a short and easy passage has lately been discovered by which vehicles of the kind may be drawn through to Walla Walla* The italics are my own and are used to point out that the first suggestion of a feasible road to the Columbia river came from a member of the Hudson Bay company who was trading and Gray through and reaffirm that the company put every possible obstacle in the way of wagon travel

What the evidence is that any member of the Hud on Bay company suggested a safe and easy passage for wagons to the Dalles is what I cannot see It has been styled an assertion, but it had no connection with Nesmith in the production from my diary of Farnham's remark done that a member of the Hudson Bay company published it

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that it was named" Quite a difference Mrs Victor says "No one has ever told us what that object was' Dr Eells says it was to consult with Rev D Greene secretary of the board at Boston and the *Missionary Herald* for December 1868 says he had missionary objects in view and Dr Eells, in my History of Indian Missions,' (page 163) says It was also expected that the opportunity would be improved for the transaction of missionary business' Yet Mrs Victor speculates that it was to get some government office It was curious if he wished to obtain some office under the United States for him to go to Boston to consult with Rev D Greene or missionary business At one time Mrs Victor says there is no evidence that Dr Whitman went to Washington, and at another time she thinks he went to get a government office

Sixth—A hint is given by Mrs Victor that in the letter which I published in my pamphlet from Dr Whitman, about the secret service fund, something might be omitted about the fund She says "The letter as published has some omissions, therefore it is not quite clear how the fund was to be used I will here say that nothing was omitted in that letter as published that had any reference to that fund. The omissions referred only to travel matters some of them private, or to subjects which did not relate to the subject under discussion and which would not pay for printing If Mrs Victor or any one else wishes to know what those omissions are, I will inform them All that I know about that secret service fund is what is stated in that letter of Dr Whitman and the one by his brother in law as published in that pamphlet

Seventh About the motives which induced Dr Whitman to go east she says Dr Whitman entered into the deceit pretending to McKinlay, his warm friend at Walla Walla that he was going on this journey solely to prevent the breaking of the mission at Lapwai Be even selected a letter on the subject from McKinlay to be presented to the board in Spalding's behalf To the mission mes he said he was going east to prevent Oregon from falling into the hands of the British To the board he said he had come to try to induce a few Christian families to return with him and settle about the mission To the secretary, of war and his family friends he confided a plan for keeping the Indians quiet by giving them sheep for their lands.

Mrs Victor does not seem to comprehend the fact that Dr Whitman could have more than one motive in going east, and that if he had told one person one thing and another person another, he might not have intended to deceive them It is not certain however that he did even this I ask for the evidence that Dr Whitman said to Mr McKinlay that he was going east *solely* to prevent the discontinuance of the mission at Lapwai In the Seattle *Intelligencer* of April 30 1881 is an article by Gov Lyons on the same subject He tries to prove as plainly as possible that Dr Whitman went east to save the southern branch of the mission, especially Lapwai and quotes from a letter of Mr McKinlay to prove this, but the letter does not state nor does Governor Lyons anywhere state that he said he was going solely for this purpose—a great difference whether the word solely is used or not Whether he stated to Mr McKinlay that he was going for political purposes seems to be an open question some persons affirming it and others denying it Dr Whitman's pamphlet p 120, and I have no reason to question the statement denied though Mr McKinlay does deny that Dr Whitman ever made such a request on political grounds

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PERSONAL POINTS.

Boston has for first Roman Catholic mayor in Hugh O Brien

Rev Dr Taylor of the Methodist Episcopal church is 109 years old

Alexander Dumas has been made a commander of the Legion of Honor.

Count Tolstoi Russian minister of the interior has been condemned to death by the nihilists

Sir Horace Rumbold British minister to Sweden has been appointed minister at Athens Greece

It is reported from London that Worth the modern milliner will come to this country and lecture on women's dress

Prince Charles Theodore of Bavaria, brother of the Empress of Austria is taking lessons in surgery in Vienna

The emperor of Germany has just sent to Queen Victoria the first photograph of himself ever taken in his private sitting room

Miss Louisa M Alcott with her little niece is living for the winter in Boston in the house next door to Edwin Booth's on Clarendon street

Mlle Dorne the heiress of M Emery will erect to Passy a free home for 50 students M Thiers request that it to found such an establishment

The Rev Dr Blagden formerly pastor of the Old South church in Boston who died there recently was a brother in law of the late Wendell Phillips

Mrs Bat Chase Sprague the daughter of Chief Justice Chase is now residing at Portland Maine her husband left to the education of her family

The late comte de Chambord of Paris was one of the few persons who can remember, as very nearly a martyr the reign of terror Her life was saved by Bonaparte

Sir John Macdonald prime minister to Canada was entertained by the queen at Windsor castle a few days since Mr Gladstone and Earl Derby also being present

The late duke of Buccleuch was a generous nobleman During a long life he had an annual income of about $1 240 000 and yet he left less than $4 000 000 in personalty

Miss Adelina Patti was recently the recipient of a dinner party at the Brunswick hotel, New York in honor of the 25th anniversary of her appearance on the operatic stage

By confining his diet for 27 weeks strictly to stale bread and skimmed milk Major Ben Perley Poore has reduced his weight by 61 pounds and now appears better than for 15 year

Gladstone is described as a mild looking man, with baggy trousers, who prefers back streets He is also a close student, a devout churchgoer and a great lover of negro minstrel songs

The late Isaac M Coates a wholesale grocer of Philadelphia who left property valued at over $400 000 bequeathed $6000 for the benefit of orphans and destitute children in that city

A monument is about to be erected to Philip Reis the German inventor of the telephone in his native city of Gemlnausen Reis gets a monument but Bell has the patent and the coin

Arabi Pasha of Egypt is said to be growing gaunt He has taken to pass good hours and a long black beard He converses like a cultivated gentleman and likes to converse like most Egyptians

The widow of Judge for Black who has not been in the white house since Mr Buchanan was president is at Washington until just now living quietly with her son Captain Black

It appears that the widow of Mr Webster is not entirely dependent upon the generosity of Fletcher Webster for support Mr Webster died without making any provision for his family and his widow was left in straitened circumstances Mr Fletcher Webster has generously assumed the support of his mother

Hubert H Bancroft the historian is passing the winter at Oakdale cottage in the Napa valley California county writing his history of California He has also left his office in San Francisco and will ask for an indefinite leave of absence from the Pacific railroad commissioners to which he was appointed by Governor Stoneman

Lord Hatherley who died at Petworth at the age of 85 is regretted throughout almost the entire newspaper *Freedom Tenth* The mother of two children and widow of a clergyman she was left a girl and soon the two little boys and the two little girls were left to the care of their mother how she entered into Holy Orders and after the death of her husband Bishop Selwyn of New Zealand and Melanesia took her to New Zealand where she spent all the rest of her life

Lord Hatherley was a great speech maker at Lincoln Inn and the general opinion is that the effects of the exertion of making them helped to shorten his life He was 40 years a bencher and will ask no more favors to be of time in the interest of his profession He was the eldest son of Rev Thomas Wilde Rector of Hatherleigh Devonshire and grandson of Lord Chief Justice Wilde

Lord Hatherley was a man of the old school of Lincoln Inn and Westminster Hall and was a thorough gentleman of the old school He was a man of the old school of Lincoln Inn and Westminster Hall and was a thorough gentleman of the old school

The Delights of Walking

A certain class are thinking of their annual outfit of clothing and are considering the question of the best for getting around during the warm season I know of nothing that can bring better recreation and healthier than to walk with him on the king's highway You shall learn more of God than books and dislike his books not unnecessarily but because at the first strength and courage will than you shall be able to walk with him in his kingdom and not be faint Then you will see and hear and smell the chill of dark and doubtful doubts hope or leaving the forest of human mind to find many truths and in the open field the highland road Then you begin to understand the singing among cottages here and there believed under the warm wing of trust and to walk with golden stone roofed in the names all sprinkled daintily with evergreen of the arrow and frozen snow Then will the exhilarating swing in every step and the glorious joy of free air you possess come to open your heart to him who throws on his lot with you for the time and goes along with you with a kind and responsive reverence for kindness freedom and lightness of heart What a true pastime is given to every walker on the king highways and through the sweet shades of rural lane and meadows through the river towns and land with willow sides to the refrain And yet he goes on with gratitude and acceptance the gift which nature ever extends to them with open hands What lovely pictures one gets in strolling by they who do not go about miss for ever —[The Quiver for January

Edward Old lady cautioned her married daughter against worrying her husband too much, and concludes by saying "My child, a man is like an egg Keep him in hot water a little while he may boil soft, but keep him there too long and he hardens."

A PARISIAN MURDER

A Cocotte Unparalleled Moral Depravity A Kind Husband Killed in Cold Blood by His Wife and Her Lover

A terrible tragedy has been enacted during the cold blood of the city and has led to criminal purpose which in human life and all of only excuse is to the temptations Death fell and the knew the love in the street of Paris and the murder was committed by the wife of the victim

The victim and his wife were married in 1875 and lived in the city of Paris until 1882 when they moved to Paris and began living in Paris Nine days ago they moved into the house in which the murder was committed The wife was left in charge of the house while her husband went to Paris to attend to his business affairs and to make preparations for the reception of his wife and children who were to join him in Paris In the same house in Paris lived Madame Lemaire with whom Mrs Lemaire was living on the best of terms and who was in the habit of visiting her daily

It was arranged that the husband and wife were to meet in the course of the afternoon at the Gare de Lyon and thence proceed to Paris The husband left home at 2 o'clock and the wife remained behind to pack up the remaining articles of furniture and to make the final preparations for the journey

The husband arrived at the Gare de Lyon at the appointed time and waited for his wife for more than an hour but she did not put in an appearance Thinking that she had changed her mind at the last moment and had gone to her mother's house he returned to the house in which the murder was committed

The wife was found in the bedroom with her throat cut from ear to ear and the body was lying on the floor in a pool of blood Lemaire was found in the room in a state of intoxication and was arrested on the charge of murder

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THE REPRESENTATIVE PRINCIPLE.

There is a great deal of cheap declamation against the proposition of the charter committee to create a commission, with power of making appointments. It is trite enough to say that a proposition like this puts the rights and liberties of the people in danger. This is said on every occasion when there is an effort to get honest and responsible municipal government. The objects of municipal government are business objects solely, not political objects at all. The only question to be considered is, how shall we get the best possible business administration of the city's affairs? No rights, except those of finance and business, are involved in it. No liberties are involved in any way whatever. There may be difference of opinion as to how the results desired may best be reached, but the argument as to "rights and liberties" is the veriest rot imaginable. It is the argument, usually, of those who want expensive or profligate municipal government. This class was in the ascendant when the present mayor of the city was elected. They did not want a close and economical management of the city's affairs, and therefore they rejected Mr. Thompson and put in Dr. Chapman. This lesson teaches that general suffrage in municipal elections is not always the surest guaranty of good municipal administration, and therefore that a commission to hold some check even upon popular suffrage may be a good thing in the government of a city.

In many of the older states the right to vote in municipal elections is restricted, as in school meetings in this state, to taxpayers. In the city of Providence the suffrage is more limited than in any other municipalities in New England because the property qualification is adjusted upon a peculiar basis, and the late Senator Anthony repeatedly insisted to the close of his life, that limited suffrage tended not only to economy and purity in the government of the cities of Rhode Island, but also to liberality and progress in providing for the general wants of the public. If the object of the proposed board of offices and employment is to place some check upon popular suffrage, it has been asked why not introduce a property qualification at once, and not take this indirect method of reaching the result? In answer to this it may be said that except in the towns of New England where the business is done in open town meeting, the affairs of municipalities are everywhere, we believe, conducted upon the representative method. The mayor and members of the council in this city are selected by the citizens to make ordinances and more or less fully manage the business of the corporation. No new principle is introduced by the change proposed in the charter of our city. There is no departure from the principle of representation now in force. By the selection of another set of representatives of voters to act with the mayor and council and hold a check and balance upon their power of appointment and employment it is expected that there will be less danger that these powers will be usurped by rings of contractors or office brokers, by which usurpation the privileges of the people are limited or denied.

The principal objection which we see in the proposed board is that by the manner of its election it will have a continuous life. If it is to act as the representative of the voters in the exercise of a delegated authority, it should be at all times in a loyal way accountable to them. The voters should have it in their power to replace it by the election of an entirely new board if it should even become arrogant and unresponsive or corrupt. This is the only criticism that can be made upon it as infringing upon the rights and privileges of the people. If the entire board should be elected at once and all go out at the same time, and if the principle of minority representative should be introduced in the election, we think that every proper object of the charter would be fully met, and the rights of all members of the corporation be fully preserved.

SUPPOSITIOUS SCRIPT.

It is the New York *Times* that tells us who are the text of the Cuban treaty from Madrid. Normally these matters are state secrets not to be divulged until the senate has acted, but practically the newspapers manage to find out all that is going on. In some cases where difficult and delicate negotiations are in hand it may be of the highest importance to keep them from the public knowledge. In cases like this, however, which concern the every day affairs of the whole people, there is no reason for official reticence. And experience has shown that it is impossible to maintain it in this country at the present time. The people want to know what is going on, and are willing to pay the newspapers for letting them know. So long as the enterprising newspaper has such inducements to obtain the latest news and publish at the earliest possible moment, the senators may as well abandon their purpose to suppress the news.

Besides, these treaties, which it has long been the custom to hide in senatorial dark closets until they are ratified or rejected involve in arrests that affect the business of the whole country, and however venerable the custom, or however fully warranted may have been the practice of concealment, pending treaty negotiations from the people when such practice was originated, it is now time to inaugurate a change, and to provide that treaties with foreign powers which directly and chiefly affect financial and private business interests, as all these treaties do, shall at least be made known to the people before they are acted upon by the senate.

Representative Hurd is probably correct in his view that "the constitution gives the president absolute power to negotiate treaties, which are to be ratified by the senate only. And he is also doubtless correct in asserting that "the house has absolutely nothing to say on the subject of treaties. But the house and the people have an interest, whether they have a right or not in seeing to it that no treaty negotiations the senate makes any business blunders.

It is grossly unfit place that the senate should hold secret and officially act upon that which affects business interests, meanwhile keeping the business people in ignorance of what it is doing. If the enormities put by exhibited by the New York papers in prematurely publishing treaties, shall have the effect to explode the nonsense of senatorial secrecy in the matter of treating treaties affecting revenues, it will have served a important and lasting good.

There is a rage now at Washington for negotiating reciprocity treaties. The principle would be well enough if such treaties were made between equal countries, as between the United States and Great Britain, or between the United States and Mexico, but when the treaties are made between the United States and the Hawaiian Islands, or between the United States and the Spanish West Indies, there is no proportion, and therefore no reciprocity. We are a nation of sixty millions and are large consumers. We can take and consume everything that a small country can produce, but that small country can take and consume of our products almost nothing, and if it is a tropical country, where the people dress only in a breech-clout or a cotton shirt, and live chiefly on native fruits it will afford for our products just no market at all. In such arrangement there is no reciprocity. The word becomes a misnomer and a cover for the operations of rings that rob our own government and people.

When General Jackson was elected, modern democracy was born and personal government began. Jackson began turning out officials by the wholesale, and in a few months had dismissed more than all his predecessors. General Marcy defended this course, and in a public speech in 1832 gave utterance to the great democratic spoils idea in these words: "It may be that the politicians of New York are more fastidious as some gentlemen are as to disclosing the principles upon which they act. They boldly preach what they practice. When they are contending for victory, they avow their intention of enjoying the fruits of it. If they are defeated they expect to retire from office. If they are successful, they claim, as a matter of right, the advantages of success. They see nothing wrong in the rule that to the victor belong the spoils of the enemy.

PRICES FOR THE POOR.

The New York *Herald and Express* shows by a comparison of the current report of prices at the time that the average cost of the necessaries of life in that city is 18 per cent. less now than in 1881. The question whether the majority of men who earn their daily bread by their daily toil are better or worse off now than they were three and a half years ago therefore resolves itself into this: Did such men—mechanics, clerks, laborers, employes of all sorts—receive 18 per cent. more wages in July, 1884, than they do in December, 1884? In the large majority of cases, the answer will be no. The *Herald* parent, it says, "If these facts are truly set forth, then that the losses of the past few years have not fallen mainly upon the men who work for their living."

At the same time the New York *Commercial Advertiser* says that the poorer people have to pay for their supplies much more than the rich. Coal is sold in New York by the pailful and the bushel at an advance of a hundred per cent. on first cost. Potatoes, apples, vegetables and groceries of all kinds, although sold at figures which seemingly correspond to market rates, are of inferior qualities while a still greater extortion is practiced upon the people by the establishment of a credit system, which demands as high a rate of interest on many articles as 25 and 30 per cent. per week.

It seems to be the misfortune of the very poor that they are more subject to the imposition of high prices than the other classes, which have much better ability to support them. Large stores which conduct their business on a small profit and cash basis, are benefited alike to the prosperous citizen and the forehanded artisan. But the mechanic who is hard up, and who has already become involved in debt to the retailer who charges him double prices for everything that he finally must have is not likely to get much benefit from the cheapness of the great cash stores.

The same thing can be said of co-operation, which is the most obvious remedy for excessive charges on the part of any middlemen. Professional men and people who are ahead of the world to the extent of some savings can easily start a co-operative enterprise that will check or remedy the high prices of any class of dealers. But the laborer who finds the problem of life a severe one in making his wages meet the weekly bills which are necessary to provide for the actual wants of his family, is nearly as far from the benefits of that principle as from the idea of taking a trip to Europe for his health and recreation.

The same state that is shown to exist in New York is true to a greater or less extent in every city. True charity, such as seeks actual improvement of the poorer classes, will give its attention to providing means for letting them have the necessaries of life at moderate rates.

Mr. Godkin editor of the New York *Evening Post* and *Nation*, is, it seems, receiving $1000 a year, as an adviser to the mayor of New York on matters relating to the civil service in that city. At a meeting of the board of aldermen of New York last week, when the subject of increasing the appropriation for the civil service commission from $7000 to $25,000 came up, President Walker of the New York board of education said that the civil service bureau, especially as regarded its expense for salaries, reminded him of the colored boy in the play of "Breadnbrighton," who was surrounded by an admiring crowd, singing, "My gracious, how he grows." The board, he said, had no right to appropriate money to pay an advisory board. There are many gentlemen of leisure who would be perfectly willing to act as without pay as the members of an advisory board. This appointment of an advisory board was illegal and a mistake. "The trouble is, continued Mr. Walker, that some of our reforming friends know just as well where the mildest beat is as those they propose to reform."

Cherokee is a thriving county seat in northwest Iowa which has unanimously called itself the "Queen Bee" of the local papers offer unrivaled goodness with the alleged wickedness of neighboring towns. When pitch but it was decided last winter the good people of Cherokee were legislated and proclaimed that whatever other towns might do Cherokee would be the faithful execution of this great moral statute in Cherokee. They determined to set an example to other towns of its happiness and prosperity that follow a faithful enforcement of this most righteous law. An exchange from that region, however, tells us that the business men of that thrifty burg have recently held a meeting in which they declared that the enforcement of the prohibitory law is playing the mischief with their business. They appointed a committee to draft a petition to the city council requesting that body to license the sale of lemonade, pop, etc., which, of course, means license to sell beer and whisky "and, as the exchange, "the petition will probably be granted."

The sum of the report on the Union Pacific just published is this, and only this. The old managers have let the concern poorly have got away with, but not, and can never be called to account. A new management is now in control, and is doubtless doing the best it can under the circumstances. But neither the government nor the people have any remedy for past malfeasance.

The legislature of Georgia has taken a remarkable forward step for a southern community by adopting, almost unanimously, a resolution which provides that hereafter the clerks of the legislature shall employ women instead of men to do all future clerical work.

THE BUTTER QUESTION.

FOR [illegible]

[illegible] the fall has been set down in [illegible] half of the farmers [illegible] interested in [illegible] unrest and protest to the [illegible] Complaint against the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] objected to belong [illegible] B. King [illegible], legislation on the subject. Such action [illegible] necessary in some of the eastern states and the result was most favorable. Having lived there I know whereof I speak. It would certainly be a benefit to producers on this coast. It should make the manufacturers hand the pound with its true name. An article sold to-day a paper over the signature of D. D. Oliphant, sounds as if the "shoe pinch" so hard just little fellas all over line to send out a rhetorical splutter about the [illegible] style in which some butter comes to market. Why just say a little in reach of the pennies and the [illegible] for good butter, the kind it costs and sells for all the year round. If your name should be in your tub or [illegible] you were known to own a cow and of Jerseys you might obtain it, but there is *good butter* [illegible] and no such prices paid. One of our first-class dealers told me in summer he could get as good as ever made for 25 cents. Now, about this [illegible], I, too, know the process from first to last, and it's a fraud, and a most deceptive one, and the product would be refer it in any stuff, as he [illegible] to term it, that the fairman produces if he did not use a plentiful supply of butter coloring, to be had at any drug store. But as a matter of fact no one that has an ax to grind [illegible] upholding sale. Pay our producers living prices and our products will come up to the desired standard. Keep the money at home, encourage home industry, keep the subject before the public, and the desired effect has been produced.

H. M. [illegible].

NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST.

IDAHO.

A movement is on foot among the business men of Rathdrum to construct a wagon road fifteen miles north from that place to connect with the road from Spirit valley to the Pend d'Oreille river. By doing this they will bring Rathdrum within forty miles of the Pend d'Oreille river, and from the point where they will strike the river steamers can be run to within four miles of Pend d'Oreille city. Nine of stages will be put on in the spring.

WASHINGTON.

Ferdie W. Rubin, [illegible] citizen of Spokane Falls, died January 4, aged 42 years. He was one of the earliest settlers of that city, and left an estate valued at $25,000.

The railroad agent at Wallsburg reports that the total amount of money received for freight during the year 1884 was $14,000, total amount from passenger traffic, $3000, aggregate, $18,700.

OREGON.

William H. Kellogg, a well-known farmer of Clackamas county, died at Mt. Pleasant last Friday.

CHARTER CHANGES.

Summary of the Work by the Citizens' Committee.

THEIR SUGGESTIONS EPITOMIZED.

Duties of the City Commissioners and the Commissioner of Streets and Public Work in Detail.

The clerical labor of preparing a new charter for the city of Portland, according to the deliberations of the citizens' committee, was finished yesterday, and the work will be presented to the board of trade at their regular meeting to-morrow night. A resolution was passed at the last meeting of the committee asking for the publication of the newly framed bill in to-day's OREGONIAN. This would take about eleven columns of smallest type, and would not be of value to the ordinary reader unless he was in possession of a copy of the present charter, and then had a "day off" in which to read both and make comparisons between them. Hence the principal changes have been collated and are published below.

As is well known to all who have kept track of the committee's work, as given from day to day in this journal the principal changes are the establishment of a board of city commissioners, who are to control all appointments, and the consolidation of the offices of city surveyor and superintendent of streets into one office, to be known as the commissioner of streets and public works. These are given in full below.

THE WARDS AND TEN PER CENTUM.

There are to be five wards, as follows:

First ward—All that part of the city north of the center line of Jefferson.

Second—All between south line of second ward and center line of Salmon and its projections.

Third—All between south line of second ward and center line of Salmon and its projections.

Fourth—All between Salmon and Hall.

Fifth—All south of Hall street.

Each ward is to be entitled to two councilmen, who shall hold their offices for two years, instead of three as now, and a mayor is to be elected every two years instead of three.

A councilman must have resided six months in the ward from which he is chosen.

TAX LIMITED TO FIVE MILLS.

Section 37, chap. v, was amended so as to give the council power to levy a tax of only one-half of 1 per cent. instead of 1 per cent, and the money so raised shall not be expended for any other purpose than specified by the ordinance.

AUTHORITY TO LICENSE SEVERAL OCCUPATIONS.

The chapter relating to licenses was amended so as to give the council power to license, tax and regulate (in addition to occupations now licensed) lawyers, doctors, brokers, drummers, commercial travelers, insurance agents, boarding and livery stable keepers.

SALOONS, BARS AND DRINKING SHOPS.

Following is the section in full:

To license, tax, regulate and restrain barkeepers, saloonkeepers, dealers in spirituous or malt liquors, barrooms, drinking shops or places where spirituous or malt liquors are kept for sale or to be disposed of, and the sale or disposal thereof; all offensive or dangerous trades, employments or businesses, and for the purpose of this act to define and declare who is a barkeeper or dealer in spirituous or malt liquors, and what is a barroom, drinking shop or place where spirituous or malt liquors are kept for sale or disposed of, and to restrain, prevent or abate all offensive or dangerous trades, employments or businesses, but this subdivision does not empower the city of Portland to declare a trade, employment or business offensive or dangerous contrary to the common understanding of the subject or to authorize anyone to do any act or thing in any business contrary to the [illegible] of the land nor shall any provision of law contained in the sale or disposition of spirituous or malt liquors in Multnomah county apply to the sale or disposition of the same in the city of Portland.

AUTHORITY TO LICENSE AND IN RESTRAINT.

To license in the manner and [illegible] to prevent and suppress gaming and gambling houses or houses where any game in which chance predominates is played for money, or other valuable thing, and to punish any person engaging in such game or keeping or frequenting [illegible] house.

IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIR OF STREETS.

Section 12, chapter v of the present charter reads as follows: To provide for the prevention and removal of all obstructions from the streets, crossings and sidewalks, and for the cleaning and repairing of the same. The following has been added: Also to work done upon a street in pursuance of an ordinance declaring the same as an improvement to be made at the cost of the adjacent property shall ever be paid for out of the general treasury of the city.

NO ORDINANCE TO BE "RUSHED THROUGH."

Section 13 was amended so that no ordinance can be passed by the council unless it shall have been read at length at a meeting of the council prior to the one at which it shall finally be acted upon.

CITY COMMISSIONERS—HOW CHOSEN AND DUTIES.

Chap. v, sec. 41. All the officers and employes of the city of Portland, except the mayor and members of the council and except as hereinafter otherwise specially provided shall be appointed and removed, employed and discharged, as provided by law or ordinance in pursuance thereof, by a board of commissioners, who shall be styled and known as the city commissioners.

Sec. 42. Said board shall consist of three persons who shall be elected by the qualified voters of the city of Portland, and hold their offices as hereinafter provided and until their successors are elected and qualified. And each of them shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident and freeholder within the city of Portland for at least three years before his election.

Sec. 43. Said commissioners shall be elected at the first election after this act and at their first meeting thereafter they shall cast lots as to which three classes each of them shall belong. The terms of office of the first class shall expire at the end of one year; of the second class at the end of two years, and of the third class at the end of three years. The successors of such first class [illegible] offices for the term of two years and those of such second class for the term of four years and until their successors are elected and qualified. And from and after the first election hereunder and the election of the first commissioners, there shall be elected each succeeding year one of said commissioners for the term of three years.

Sec. 44. Any vacancy in the office of such commissioners shall be filled by appointment by the mayor with the consent of a majority of the council.

Sec. 45. Said commissioners shall meet at a place to be provided by the council within ten days after their first election and [illegible] at such other times and places as they may provide. But in case the council neglect or refuse to provide a place of meeting for said commissioners, they may provide one for themselves.

Sec. 46. At the first meeting of the commissioners or as soon thereafter as convenient they shall appoint one of their members president of the board who shall continue to be president during his term of office or until another commissioner is so appointed, and they shall then also appoint a clerk, whose duty it shall be to keep a fair minute of their proceedings, and do and perform such other clerical duties and acts as they may require. A majority of the commissioners constitutes a quorum for the conduct of any delegated act or business, but a smaller number of the council may adjourn from day to day and compel the attendance of absent members in such manner and under such penalties as may be prescribed by ordinance.

Sec. 47. Any person holding any office or employment under said commissioners who shall promise, contribute, use or solicit any money to be used in any manner for election purposes, at any election held within this city, shall be guilty of misconduct within the meaning of section [illegible] of this chapter, and liable to be removed or discharged from said office or employment as the case may be.

DUTIES AND POWERS OF STREET COMMISSIONER.

He must have the qualification of a civil engineer, and give bonds in the sum of $20,000. His salary is to be $3000 per month.

(2) He shall have special charge and supervision of all municipal buildings, public streets, roads, bridges, sewers, drains, cesspools, and dams, and other means of lighting the city, and of all work done thereon or thereabout, or material furnished therefor, whether by contract or otherwise.

(2) Whenever any such work is done or material furnished for, or within the city by contract, he must prepare and execute the contract on behalf of the city and specially inspect the work done or material furnished under the same, and file a written report thereon with the auditor and clerk, stating therein whether or not the contract has been faithfully complied with and if not, in what particular it has not.

(3) He shall make all surveys and estimates needful in the preparation for or the prosecution of any such work, and also all surveys, plans and estimates relating to the same required by any city ordinance.

(4) He shall receive and open all bids for doing any such work or furnishing any such material, and award the contracts therefor [illegible] a committee of the council may be authorized by ordinance to be present at and witness the opening of said bids and the awarding of said contracts.

(5) He shall keep in his office in proper books a fair minute of his official acts and file and preserve therein all bids, contracts, bonds, surveys, field notes, plans, estimates and the like, received or made by him or under his direction in the course of his official duty, and furnish copies or memoranda when required by a city ordinance.

(6) He shall annually make a general report to the council of the work done in his office and under his supervision, with such suggestions and recommendations as he may think proper, but he may be required by the council to report [illegible] particular matter at any time.

He may employ two deputies at a salary not exceed $100 per month, for whose acts he shall be liable under his bond, and he may employ assistants in the field [illegible] time when [illegible] [illegible] and

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and Stark.

WEATHER REPORT.

A M BULLETINS

Snowing hard calm thermometer 2 inches snow on ground
Snowing calm thermometer 30 2 inches snow on ground
Snowing, calm thermometer 27, 3 inches snow on ground
Snowing, calm thermometer 30 just began
Drizzling rain, clouds, calm thermometer 30
Cloudy, calm, thermometer 34, 3 inches new snow
Snowing hard calm thermometer 31 river frozen over
Snowing, clouds calm thermometer 30 8 inches snow
Cloudy calm thermometer 30 very little snow clearing up
Cloudy with strong south thermometer
Snowing calm thermometer 30 4 inches snow

P M BULLETINS

Clear, calm thermometer 32 river frozen
Snowing calm thermometer 30 4 inches snow
Cloudy calm thermometer 30 4 inches snow
Snowing, calm thermometer 32 inches snow
Cloudy calm thermometer 32 inches snow
Cloudy calm thermometer 30 inches snow
Light snow calm thermometer 30 inches snow
Cloudy, calm thermometer
Cloudy, calm thermometer
Cloudy with indications of
Cloudy calm thermometer
Snowing hard wind northwest 1 inch
Clear calm thermometer 30 inches snow

VALLEY WEATHER

Raining hard warm wind west
Raining hard cool wind north
Snowing cool calm
Raining, hard wind north
Cloudy mild wind light north
Cloudy cool wind north
Cloudy cool wind north
Cloudy cool wind north
Cloudy—Cloudy, cool, north wind
Raining falling all along the line
Steadily down to low water mark.

STEAMERS FOR THE NORTH.

Steamship Mexico sailed from San Francisco yesterday with the following passengers
Sound and Puget sound ports
Townsend—A. C. Dargley.
Mrs. S. H. Willey, Lena Walden, Anderson, F. E. Sanders, Thomas Cook, Hall, George B. Blanchard and wife, A. Swabacher, A. Cutler, C. F. Sammons, L. Duff and daughter, J. W. Jones, J. Robinson
Port Townsend—Mrs. Williams, R. McCheese, Miss Jones, J. W. Williams, E. H. Johnson, Capt. C. P. Hudson, Mrs. A. K. Newman and children, P. Fry, John Lansbise, J. Jackson, A. Jason, John Curtis, P. C. Lee, Miss Leidesbaum, T. Benton
Seattle—E. M. Hunt, L. Walka and wife, Dr. Sheets, J. W. Jones.

Fine Work

A great art of printing especially is that most known as job work there has been a great progression in recent years toward the perfection at which it is the ambition and enterprise of which events to attain. Illustration, but this section is. Dunne. His establishment is modern and throughout for doing any kind of work, whether line in a style that cannot fail to please. When you want anything, call and see us, or address Mr. Hunt at No. 3 Washington street.

Crystal Palace

The very pleasing title of one of the most prominent in the city where the various wants of the inner man are looked after. Here is a place to dine evening. Is served at lunch, embracing all the delicacies in fruits and meats. Boston baked beans, pork and vegetables and sauces. All of which are supplied with everything in the way of liquors, from a decoction of fine old bourbon to a glass of chain lightning. If you feel over the effects of too much of the Crystal Palace you have only to go to the Great Rose Island and Albert Dunn has been moved to No. 3 Washington street, opposite Jones' store, so those who like to patronize this popular resort in connection with the Northern Pacific depot at St. Paul. Mr. Dunn is still the same old Dunn, the Oregon Short Line at Ogden, Leaves with an Kansas City, Omaha and points east. For full information call at ticket agent, Ash street dock. J. M. Woodard, General Agent No. 5 Washington street, Portland.

An Entirely New Scheme

Of elegant prizes, as offered at Lent's Dime Concert, including lady's diamonds to form the most elegant finish ever offered with ladies' articles of oddness, in imitation of solid gold. There are six present prizes, to be awarded to purchasers of tickets. Prizes are on exhibition at Lent's store, Third and Jefferson, where the manager will explain. This is no humbug. Admission only 10 cents.

THE ENTERPRISE Is now establishing its agencies in all the towns in the State, and various modes of carrying excite encouraging business in those localities by agreeing to catch the eye. Mr. J. Paige has effective plan of dispensing of his goods and of giving his customers a reserve to the highest bidder. Enterprise House Tuesday Thursday and Saturday first street.

From the Blockade

Fresh and choice reserved seats today from New Orleans invoice of Indian Jersey jackets have been here D. Delivery trade will be during their stock holding sale at agreed

The Gilman

Under the able and careful management of proprietor is becoming the most popular hotel in the city. The rooms are clean and guests every attention.

Crystal Palace

Proprietors of the State Temperance Exchange will give one of his character at its rooms Tuesday January 13 at 9 P. M. Ball will be given after. The public are invited

Seasonable

Seasonable clearance sale beaver Mackinaw cloth is at your money. Everything will be found at

SILVERMAN'S Nine-cent Store

Corner and the address of an eastern friend in the statistical OREGONIAN. The best in the market.

PHARMACY — Prescriptions carefully Third and Stark streets.

...N AND ABOUT PORTLAND.

The Oregon passed out to sea at 8 A. M. Friday.

Regular meeting of the board of trade tomorrow night.

The British bark Dovedby arrived at Astoria Friday evening.

The German bark Britannia and barkentine Tam O'Shanter crossed out yesterday.

Mr. A. J. Wetter leaves on the 15th for a trip to Germany, to be gone three months.

Mr. C. W. Johnson, assistant superintendent of the O. R. & N., left last night for Baker City.

A private telegram received here yesterday states that the Oregon and California defaulted their January interest.

The Miss Ray mentioned in the dispatches from Chicago as an heiress, is a niece of the late P. W. Hardenburg.

The stores of R. L. and S. L. Stone were closed yesterday on account of the death of their mother in Germany.

Reserved seats can be secured at the Casino box office, from 2 to 6 P. M., for to-night's performance of "Fra Diavolo."

Mr. Robert Newcomb leaves by the next steamer for California to seek relief from a troublesome attack of asthma.

Bishop Morris will preach to-day and administer the Rite of Confirmation at St. David's Episcopal church, East Portland.

Mr. James Young, of Taylor, Young & Co., left by last night's steamer for Southern California, where he will spend the remainder of the winter.

North Front street be ow G is now a continuous pool of mud, g rth deep to horses. Loaded teams have to come and go by way of the N street bridge.

Elizabeth Cummings has commenced suit in the state circuit court against her husband, James Cummings, to secure a divorce, on the ground of cruel treatment.

H. H. Browning of this city has been appointed by J. H. Ames, general purchasing agent of the N. P. Railroad company at St. Paul, to represent him in this city.

The letter carriers will be on duty at the post office from 2 to 3 o'clock this afternoon, and people will be able to get the packages they have been waiting for so long.

The family of Nelson W. Pierce, traveling agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul short line, arrived here yesterday and have taken up the residence at 608 E street.

It is stated upon pretty good authority that Flood & O'Brien of San Francisco will establish a bank in this city next spring, conditioned upon the repeal of the mortgage tax law.

Several people who have letters mailed to them every day from Chicago are inclined to think because they are short three or four letters, that the incoming steamer has three or four days' extra in mail.

The new year is really no change from the old, if the reappearance of the two line item saying that "over 100,000 cords of timber are manufactured into shoe rgs in America every year," is any indication.

Frank Haagin, a young man en route from Iowa to Portland, died yesterday at Huntington. The railroad company were asked to notify the young man's mother, Mrs. Mary P. Haagin, who lives near Jones' saw mill.

Fractional block 3 in Sullivan's addition to East Portland, was sold by Sheriff Jordan yesterday, on foreclosure of a mortgage against A. and M. M. Lope n favor of Fleckenstein & Mayer. It was bid off by Fleckenstein & Mayer for $750.

Arthur Ruston, steward of the British bark Valencia, was fined $10 yesterday by Justice Greene for throwing a bucket of water upon Ben Spencer, a sailor on board the same vessel. The are the rights of the American seaman protected.

The county court yesterday discharged Otto Radelicke, guardian of the estate of J. P. Stenger. Some time since Mr. Stenger was adjudged insane and sent to the asylum. He was discharged, and it now appearing that he is completely cured, it was not deemed necessary to continue the guardian in his office any longer.

Yesterday ten carloads of sheep and seven carloads of cattle were received here by the O. R. & N., the first since the snow. Five hundred of the sheep went through to Seattle for S. Custer, and 110 were for A. H. Johnson of this city. The cattle were for O'Shea Bros. The joined cattle which were turned loose at the Grande Ronde will arrive to-day.

If one of our art stores there is a beautiful autumnal oil painting of Mount Hood, taken from "Mt. Earl," near La Center, executed by Miss Katie D. Allmond, the art teacher of the Washington Territorial University. The point from which the view was taken is adapted for an ideal picture. The coloring and distance shows the work of a true artist.

A woman applied to Manager Gross, of the Casino, yesterday for a ring picked up in the opera house and so announced. She said she thought she had lost a ring, but was not certain, and that if she had lost it she wasn't quite sure what sort of a ring it might be, and somehow or other when she had finished a description of the ring that perhaps might have slipped away and she no find it out, she went off disappointed.

FAST RECOVERED

The raft of 300,000 feet of logs carried away from the Lucia mills, at Vancouver, by the ice, has been cut out by the crew of the mill and warped back to a safe position. The loss on account of the accident was inconsiderable.

TO HAVE A THIRD TRIAL.

J. J. Morrison, charged with burning the Couch hotel, who has had two trials, the jury disagreeing upon both, is to have another chance to try his luck. On motion of District Attorney Deakin, Frank Wilson, one of the witnesses in the case, has been placed under $100 bonds to appear and testify, which means that Wilson is to be kept locked up till the time of the trial.

INCONVENIENCE TO TEAMS.

The closing to travel of the bridge across Marquam's gulch on Hood street, on account of damage from the storm, has caused considerable inconvenience to many people as the macadamized road is closed, and teams are obliged to pull up a steep and slippery hill to enter town by the Front street bridge. A force of men has been set at work on the repairs which will be completed as speedily as possible.

GRAND JURY INDICTED

The grand jury returned nine indictments yesterday. Two of them were against James McCourt, for setting fire to and burning the American exchange which on the nights of October 21 and 22. There were two already returned against him for the same crime. It appears that a separate indictment is returned on account of each person owning a part of the property. Several of the indictments are supposed to be against gamblers.

WANTS $41 FOR A WHEEL

J. Born commenced suit in the state circuit court yesterday against the Cascade Mill and Flume company to recover $512 50 and costs. Plaintiff alleges that defendant contracted with him to order a mining wheel from the manufacturer, which he did, and when it arrived here and he was ready to deliver it defendant refused to receive it. It was placed in a warehouse, and Mr. Born now sues to recover the price of the wheel, with costs and charges.

PAINTINGS SENT TO TACOMA.

Two of the latest works of art from the brush of J. E. Stuart of this city have been purchased by General W. J. Sprague of Tacoma, and are already hung in his handsome parlors. The first is a sunset view on the Columbia, from a point above tunnel No. 3, looking down the river. Rock bluff appears on the right, from behind which the sun darts its resplendent rays and paints the landscape in glowing colors. The second painting is Mt. Hood, as seen from the city of that name.

COMPANY G AND THE GRISMER COMBINATION

Owing to the difficulty of securing a suitable cast and to avoid the very hard work of rehearsing a play so as to make it presentable, Company G, Oregon state militia, have decided not to produce "Ours." They have made arrangements with the Grismer-Davis combination to give "Rosedale, or the Rifle Ball," commencing Monday, the 19th inst., at the New Market, the militia company appearing as Elliott Grey's troops and in the ball-room scene. The latter will be made a great feature.

CORN DOCTOR AGAIN IN JAIL.

John Parise, a peripatetic chiropodist who is so often missing and abusive when going about plying his vocation that it is a wonder he ever gets anything to do is again in the city jail for drunkenness. He was brought up in the police court yesterday and sentenced to serve five days' imprisonment. This is another of the effects of the snow storm. The money paid out by the O. R. & N. Co to its shovelers not only served to get these latter drunk but also those unserviceable summers who were too lazy to work, but who hang around saloons and are always ready to drink with a crowd.

NOT TRUE BILLS.

The grand jury yesterday returned "not a true bill" in the following cases: J. Lewis, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. Mike Reardon, entering house of M. Jacobs. Jesse McDonald, breaking into foundry at Albina, to find something to eat probably; W. E. Metra, threatening to kill M. W. Taylor. D. C. McKenzie, larceny by bailee of a libretto belonging to H. W. Price; Henry Murrey, stealing a quilt from Emma Bills, and Ah Gom, attempting to extort five dollars from Ah Don. Of course, examination of these cases did not exist. Multnomah county anything, oh, no.

REPORTED MISCEGENATION

A short time since C. F. T. Cooper, a colored barber, applied at the county clerk's office for a license to marry Miss Lucy P. Burnell. Mark O. Bell made the necessary affidavit in regard to the age of the young lady and also as to her color. The parties were married by Rev. W. A. Mitchell, a colored preacher, formerly of the island of Jamaica, in the presence of Mark Bell and Anna Yates. And now it is reported by some of Rev. Mitchell's flock that Miss Burnell is a white woman, in which case the preacher and Mark O. Bell have laid themselves liable under the statutes of this state to a severe penalty.

DWELLING BURNED

From a letter received by Chas Ohle from the Seaside, Clatsop, it is learned that the house of S. K. Stanley was burned to the ground a few days since. The family lost everything except what they had on. The fire was caused by the bursting of an oil lamp. The neighbors will help him to put up another house as soon as lumber can be procured. The storm at Clatsop was terrific, there being more snow, wind rain and higher water than there has been since 1862. The water was three feet deep in the engine house at the Seaside house, and a hay shed on the place was crushed by the weight of snow on the roof.

PRIZE FOR CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING.

A number of gentlemen who like to shoot ducks and other birds, but are not much good at clay pigeons, yet like to see the exercise, have clubbed together and ordered a gold medal set with diamonds to be awarded to the best shot. The contest will probably take place late this month and is open to all comers who are true sportsmen. Scrubs and pot hunters can not enter. Of the good shots in Portland, M. F. Spencer, W. Lang Chapman, E. W. Moore, W. L. Curry, D. K. Howe, George Curry, Bob Bybee and a half dozen others are certain of winning the prizes.

NOT ENTIRELY SUCCESSFUL

Burglars effected an entrance into the wholesale drug house of Snell, Heitshu & Woodard sometime Friday night and rummaged about considerably but got very little for their pains. Ingress and egress was obtained through the cellar, presumably after midnight when passenger s had ceased to cross by the ferry. The money drawer was forced and its contents, about $20 in small coin, were taken. An attempt was made to break open the safe, but in this the burglars were unsuccessful and they left without taking any goods. It is believed the work was done by river pirates who come to the foot of Stark street in boats, for no traces were left behind.

LIMITED TO TWENTY PASSENGERS

The Twins still continues to ply between this city and the East side, on the Stark street ferry route, and will do so between the hours of 7 P. M. and midnight, while there remains any strong current in the river. Persons who come running down to the landing just too late to jump aboard the Twins, need not curse the captain and his crew for their getting left to any mean spot in his nature for that is not the trouble. A few days, or nights ago, in the desire to accommodate everybody, the captain took aboard three or four more passengers than the rules permit him to carry. Some weak-nerved individual, who got on among the first, and didn't care who got left, took occasion to complain to Inspector Ferguson. In consequence the captain of the Twins has been notified not to exceed in the future the number allowed by law, which is twenty.

FINED $100

Charles H. Davidson, who was arrested several months since on a charge of sending an obscene letter through the mails, was arraigned in the United States circuit court yesterday. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to pay a fine of $100. Davidson is a gawky, ignorant fellow about 20 years of age, who, imagining he had been grossly treated by Sheriff Wilson, wrote him a vile letter. He was arrested and admitted to bail, and has been up in Garfield county, Washington territory, where he seems to have created an unfavorable impression, as he told Judge Watson he had been ordered to leave by a party who called themselves vigilantes. He evidently thought that the vigilantes ought to be subjected to some sort of discipline, but it is probable that they knew what they were about.

UNPARALLELED AUDACITY

It is safe to say that never out half the money paid out by the O. R. & N. Co to show shovelers in this city, has already found its way into the pockets of the keepers and gin jerkers. The records of the police court furnish sufficient proof of this statement. Nearly every man arrested for drunkenness during the last three days has been a snow shoveler and when brought to the jail each one is penniless or nearly so. This entails an additional expense upon the city for the board and lodging of these prisoners, while the saloon keepers are the only portion of the community who experience any benefit. Yet this class of men, who take from the pockets of the poor the money which should be paid out for the commonest necessities of life, have the audacity to petition the council to reduce their licenses.

REPORTS FROM STOCK.

From a gentleman who arrived here yesterday from Latirande, an OREGONIAN reporter learned that losses of stock by the recent storm were less than was anticipated. South of Prineville, in what is known as the "Oregon desert," cattle were lost, though the snow in some places was six to eight feet deep. Between Prineville and the Columbia river every band suffered more or less. A good estimate made up from the statements of a large number of ranchers and herders representing local lists which took in the entire range of climate of the Inland Empire, is that the loss to cattle and sheep will be under 25 per cent. All stock is in very poor condition now and could not live through another storm of any great severity. A note from Umatilla states that cattle and sheep are coming out all right. A band of antelope was seen within a mile of the town one day during the storm, but no one appeared to have lost any.

TOO DRUNK TO STEAL SENSIBLY

Tom Day, a besotted individual, who is often drunk than sober, was arrested yesterday by Policeman Cramer upon a charge of larceny. The complaint was made by H. Schneider, who alleges that Day stole a hatchet and crosscut saw from his saloon. Both articles were found in Day's possession, and what any man could be thinking of to steal two such worthless things as "something that no fellow can find out." The candlestick which carefully conxed can be made to hold a cylinder of tallow, but it would take something a good deal more powerful than conxing to get the hatchet to cut wood. According to the rules of the second hand dealer who offered ten cents for it shovel that he had sold ten minutes before for two bits, the hatchet and candlestick could not command a red cent copper cent. However, it will probably be shown to have been "Thirsty from indwelling," and poor Tom Day, whose greater off ense consists in having paid out all his money for beer and whisky, stands a good chance of going to the penitentiary. He will have an examination in the police court on Monday.

OUT SPORTSMEN

The sportsmen of Linn county, says our Albany correspondent, are determined to protect the beautiful ringed neck Mongolian pheasant imported into this state by Hon. O. N. Denny. The first case in which one of these birds has been killed came to light last Monday, when William Radson came to town and offered for sale one which had been killed, as he claimed, by flying against a telegraph wire. Examination of the bird, however, proved that it had been shot, and Radson was immediately arrested. He was examined before Justice Humphrey, who fined him $50 and costs, in default of which he was sent to the county jail for twenty-five days. Nearly 100 of these birds have been fed during the late severe weather by farmers within a radius of five miles around Albany, and the hunters are determined that having weathered the storm the birds shall not be killed now that winter is about over. In accordance with a suggestion which appeared recently in THE OREGONIAN sportsmen there who are not pot-hunters, instead of setting out decoys in orchards cut up the ice on lakes and sloughs during the freeze up and shooting the birds enticed to alight, in many places put out wheat to feed them. One band of wild geese came daily to one of the mills in that city, and were fed wheat and chaff.

A CARD.

Mr. Reynolds sylvester and Mr. and Mrs. Stark, the father and grandparents of Tilly Sylvester wish to return their sincere thanks to Mrs. John Garfield and Mrs. Lizzie Collicutt for their kind attentions and assistance during the last hours of their child and for tender service in preparation for the funeral.

The proprietors of *The Golden Rule*, for many years well known in Portland, from the reception by the public of the first number, see no cause to say that the time taken in making arrangements for its weekly issue hereafter, compels them to extend the time of the second issue until next Tuesday).

GRAND JURY REPORT.

The Ways of Professional Witnesses Severely Censured.

Recommendation that No Fees be Paid Witnesses in Criminal Cases Poor Farm Expenses Too Large Etc.

At 4 o'clock yesterday the grand jury came into court and submitted the following report, informing Judge Smith that there was no further business requiring their attention. The judge ordered them discharged and congratulated them in being returned from their arduous duties.

PORTLAND, Jan 10, 1885.

To the Honorable Circuit Court for Multnomah County: We, the grand jury of Multnomah county, would most respectfully report to your honor that we have now completed our labors for the present term of this court. We have examined during the time we have been sitting as grand jury 17 cases. Of these we have found in 10 cases true bills, in 47 cases not true bills, and 24 cases came before us originally and not by information sent by other courts, and in these 24 cases we have found no bills.

COUNTY OFFICES

We have examined the offices of the clerk and sheriff of this county, and we have also examined the county jail. We find the offices of the clerk and sheriff of the county well conducted and in all respects such as the law requires.

COUNTY JAIL.

In regard to the county jail, while we cannot but commend the management of the present officer in charge, we have to join with other grand juries in condemning the location and construct on of the jail itself. It is entirely unsuitec for a jail, by reason of its position underneath the court house, underneath the ground in fact and further, that we find no sufficient sewerage accommodations and no accommodation whatever for water closets for the prisoners. This is particularly noticeable in the portion allotted to the female prisoners, and we would strongly urge upon the county court that this jail, if it must continue as at present, be so remedied as to provide necessary sewerage connections in order that the health not only of the prisoners, but of the officers in charge, and others who are forced to go there on business pertaining to the defense and prosecution of persons charged with crime, may be protected.

PROSECUTION OF CRIMINALS

We find furthermore that the expense of criminal prosecutions in this county has grown to be a burden upon the taxpayers of the county. It is of course impossible to prevent all unnecessary expense from being incurred, but we would suggest that much of the expense and all of the expense against which taxpayers are honestly crying out, results from the pernicious habit and practice of allowing witnesses in criminal cases before justices' courts and other courts fees for such service. We find that around many of the justices' courts there is a class of hangers on who make a living by being witnesses—professional witnesses, so to speak—and earn a living in no other way. These persons foster litigation and stir up disputes among people for the sole purpose of becoming witnesses and drawing fees in such capacity. This should be remedied in some way. The legislature at its next session, in our judgment, would do well to pass a law providing that no witness be paid fees in criminal cases before any court or before any grand jury, and that nothing be paid such witnesses in such cases except their mileage. This, in our opinion, would do away with the endless litigation that is now being fostered in the lower courts, which result is a great expense to the county. Furthermore, if this is not practicable, we would recommend that whatever law there is passed, police officers be not permitted to draw fees as such, officer executing process, and also be allowed to take up fees as witness. Very much of the expense of attendance on grand juries results from officers of the law being witnesses before such grand jury, and drawing their fees as such witnesses. This should not be. The officers are paid their fees to discharge them duty, and not in the discharge of their duty, they should charge to new trespass, there should be no additional expense taxed against the state for the performance of such duty as witness.

CITY JAIL

We have also examined the city jail and report that the building now used for city jail purposes is out of repair, and insuitable in every particular for the purposes for which it was intended. Just—it is too small, and there are not sufficient accommodations for the officers of the jail, and the prisoners. Second, the building is out of repair and the roof leaks badly in many places. Third, there are not any sewerage connections, and we find that during the whole course of the year stagnant water and overflow from water-closets floods the cellar underneath and remains there. From this cause the health of the officers and persons in charge of the jail is endangered, and some means should be taken to remedy the evil.

POOR FARM

We have also visited the poor farm. We found the poor house, as at present conducted, neat and clean. We also found that the accounts, presented by the superintendent of the poor farm to the county court and audited for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1884, were correct. But in our opinion the expense attendant upon the management of the poor farm is disproportionate to the number of inmates and to the accommodations afforded. We find that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1884, the total expense, omitting credits of the poor farm, amounted to $4782 92. Of this amount, the sum of $2747 10 is for salaries alone. The number of inmates averaged, during the year, 17 50 white and 1 00 per cent. Chinese. The Chinese were are all lepers. The average cost as shown by the superintendent's report including credits, which he figures in his report per inmate, is the sum of $2 63 per week. However, in that report the county is charged with 312.75 cords of wood, amounting to $1570 10. Instead of this amount the county should be charged the cost of cutting a one, which would be $314 20, making a difference in the showing of $1035 60. We figure it thus was for the reason that as much as the county pays for the hauling, furnishing the team, wages, and pays the board of the men, the counts should not be charged with anything more than the expense of cutting, as the wood belongs to the poor farm. We are informed also by the steward in charge that the paupers at the poor farm get no meat, and their coffee is made from roasted peas. This is not right. If these people are deserving of the care of the county they should be at least decently fed, even if it costs more. The superintendent's report shows seven of the inmates to be lepers. The lepers are kept on the poor farm in a small cabin apart from the white inmates. These lepers have a small garden and raise their own vegetables, coming to the superintendent for a little tea and rice occasionally. The diet of the Chinese is mostly vegetables. Under these circumstances which I respectfully submit that one dollar per week for every white inmate. All of which is respectfully submitted.

I. BLAUMAUER,
Foreman of Grand Jury.

OUTGOING PASSENGERS.

The steamship Columbia sailing for San Francisco carries the following passengers:

Geo Kuhl	John Dame
D M McKenzie	James Young
G W Weir	J Ach
D F A Plummer	M Abrahmans
N Steward	Master Mc Connell
S Reynolds	C Devitt
H S Gallaxson	Lis Seeley
Miss Allen	Mrs Fesmi & child
Miss Emma Nichols	Mrs Cox
Master Geo Dunne	Mrs W Y Crooke
Mrs S Wemst	Robert Steel
J H Josylin	C I Bucus
W Garnold	A D Charlton
Mrs C B Hughes	Robert Sheridan
Mrs Sheridan	J Gilbord
J O'Conner	John Paul
Jas Stephens	S W Rosenberg & wf
W A Simmons and wf	Brayton Lewis ch & sis
Chas Lewis	J S Newland and daugh
Mrs R H Tyler	Robert Hausen and wf
T T Madigan	T H Randall
Wm Harding	Geo Roberts
Mrs S S Fowles	Geo Shields
J Mansfield	Miss Hilly Menze
P Peterson	Geo W Thompson
Capt J Hayes	F Ephram
Geo Ashley and wife	D E Whitney
J W Gardiner and wf	H L Frank
Mrs J Sherin	Miss Kate Summer
Mrs J Reed	J A Johnson
Isaac Manson	W D Mathews
I Wilzinski	Ira A Olmstead
F W Wilky	J W Cooper
D Babl ero	Col Grayson and wife
J W Wright	Mrs T L Fitch
Mrs S Wemst	Mrs M A Hembaldt
T J Owings	D H Jones
Wm Cochran and wife	50 in the steerage.

Within four years past, in Tazewell, Russell and Washington counties, Va., 1500 men and 3000 horses have been engaged in the walnut lumber trade, bringing into those counties $1,500,000. One walnut tree realized $600.

FIRE AT OREGON CITY

An Early Morning Blaze that Destroys about Ten Thousand Dollars Worth of Property in that Town.

About half past 2 o'clock yesterday morning the inhabitants of Oregon City were awakened by an alarm of fire which had been discovered by a night watchman in the rear of the saddle shop of John Schramm. The flames spread rapidly along Main street, destroying the old Masonic building on the corner of Main and Fifth street, the *Enterprise* office, H. H. Cross' law office, F. D. Kelly's dwelling and store, Dr. Norris' office and A. W. Howard's furniture store, when they were finally subdued.

The fire department turned out promptly, but owing to an insufficient water supply, it was unable, even with the most strenuous exertions, to prevent the spreading of the flames. All the members deserve great credit for their labors, the chief engineer risking his life and sustaining some slight injuries.

The cause of the small supply of water was owing to the breaking up of the Willamette, just below the falls. Two large, powerful pumps are employed to force water up through the town from the river. The water from the river had risen above the wheel of one of these pumps, in consequence of which it could not be worked at all. For this reason the pressure in the mains was not very heavy, and so the flames were fought at a decided disadvantage.

Just how the fire originated is not known, but there is a very strong reason for the suspicion that it was the work of an incendiary. There was no one living in the rear of Schramm's shop, and the hour at which the flames first made themselves visible is a very suspicious circumstance. The losses are as follows:

John Schramm, saddle shop, building and contents, a total loss, $3000; no insurance.

Masonic building and furniture, $2000. A part of the records was saved, but all the paraphernalia was burned; no insurance.

Oregon City *Enterprise*, building, type, press, paper, office fixtures, etc., all destroyed, loss $2000; insured for $700.

H. H. Cross, law library and records, about $1,000; no insurance.

F. D. Kelly, building, $600; no insurance. Nearly all the stock of groceries was saved. Mr. Kelly's family lived in the second story over the store, but by great exertions he saved nearly all his household effects.

A. W. Howard's loss was quite small, and is covered by insurance.

Dr. Norris' loss is not known.

TERRIBLE FALL.

Tom Barry, a Pugilist, Tumbles from a Gymnasium Gallery and is Badly Banged up.

Yesterday afternoon, Tom Barry, a San Francisco pugilist of some local reputation, who came up here to fight Tom Turk, on Taylor's man, went up to the Olympic Club's room in New Market block to take a little glove exercise with Dave Campbell. While he was in the gallery or balcony, used for a dressing room, he leaned against the curtain, supposing it to be a solid partition, and fell to the main floor, a distance of twelve or fifteen feet. He must have struck "cousteed up." He sustained a terrible scalp wound reaching from the forehead back to the base of the skull, laying the bone bare the entire distance. His left kneecap was fractured clear across, but it was a simple fracture. Drs. McKenzie and Wheeler were hastily summoned and dressed the wound in the head. There was slight concussion of the brain, but the skull was not fractured. After the scalp wound had received attention, Barry was conveyed to St. Vincent's hospital. To-day the staff physicians will perform the operation of drawing together the broken parts of the knee cap, and hope as it is a straight fracture they have of saving the joint from remaining stiff.

THE NEW MARKET

Another Week of Popular Prices—Last Week Success—To-night "Octoroon" Monday Night.

This evening, Brougham's comedy of "The Lottery of Life," will receive its last performance. The new departure at this popular theater of giving plays at popular prices, has been a most successful one, as the crowded houses every night last week have testified. This success has induced Mr. Bowe to make further arrangements with Mr. Grismer for his entire company to give this week Dion Boucicault's great drama depicting southern life, "The Octoroon." This drama has been one of the most successful of all the plays written by that great author, and is a true and striking picture of life in Louisiana before the war. Mr. Grismer has spared no pains in his preparations to present it in its entirety, with magnificent accessories and mechanical effects. A corps of jubilee singers have been specially engaged to present with realistic effect the great cotton plantation scene, the steamboat landing and the slave auction, and will enliven the evening with some of their quaint and negro melodies, hymns and plantation songs and dances. Mr. Grismer will again make a change in his line of impersonations, appearing as the Indian Wah-no-tee. Miss Davies will appear as Zoe, the octoroon girl. All should remember the popular prices of admission, 50 and 25 cents, witnessing for this sum, fine plays, well mounted and acted by a most powerful organization. Following is the cast:

Wah no tee	Jas R Grismer
Salem Scudder	Frank Wright
Old Pete	L Shelo ewell
George Peyton	Geo P Wade
Jacob McCloskey	Chas A Wade
Paul Ratts	Wm T Lady
Judge Summerside	J Cummings
Col de Poyster	F A Mackenzie
La Fourche	H Simpson
Jackson	Dean
Tibbodeaux Planters	E H Bencer
Gilbon	F J Monmont
Solon	Frank Hart
Zoe de Octoroon Child	Miss Pearl Davies
Dora Summerside	Miss Lotti O'Connor
Mrs. Peyton	Miss Nina Stevens
Dido	Miss Lillian Mountford
Grace	Miss Will
Dido	Miss Hilly Harvey
Dual Love Slave	Minnie O'Connor
Philip Rogers (Puss)	James Mc Knight Scott
The Slave auction	
The dance in the cane brake	
The burning of the Mansion	
Life in the Swamps	

THE HOTELS

QUINBY

W H Mosher Tacoma
F Reynolds, Oregon
F Wilson Portland
C H Dalton O R & N Co
J Jackson Walla Walla
H J Butt, O R & N Co
M Scppel, Tacoma
H Rankin do
J F Tibbs do
H E Hill do
J H Smith do
J H Brown do
H Smart do

J B Tibbs Oregon
G M Edwards Oregon
F W Stevens Oregon
J B Cornell P C Co
H Hildreth, Springfield, O
C H Gault Ashland
Mrs M Rhodes Phoenix
J B Chesbrough Stockton
C Jenkins Ashland
Gottlieb Lamont
J W Taylor do
James White do

MORTON HOUSE.

A Mc Whirter Lents
W J Mc Donald Vancouver
W D Hill Hillsboro
A Lee Tualatin
W H Lee Tualatin

O Brady, M V R R
P Frank Dayton
W H Hill The Dalles
C Schiel Salem
James Mc Knight Scott's

MERCHANTS HOTEL.

Capt Thornburn ship Valparaiso
Adam Sch, Wm Dunn
Schr Salem
H J Schaller do
H Branson Hyde

H H Armstrong Grants Pass
S Jefferson

THE MAIDEN AUNT TO HER NIECE.

Ah, yes! I am old and lonely,
And the fire has left my eye;
I live in the dead past only,
In the light of the days gone by.
Sunset approaches—the shadows grow long
Life's day is drawing to evening.

Yet, when a hushed world is sleeping,
In bright dreams I am young again,
And swiftly my feet are flying
To the sounds of a joyous strain;
With wild floating tresses I queen it there,
As in the dead days, when my face was fair.

When these thin gray locks were glancing
In the sun, living waves of red;
And these tired, dim eyes were dancing
With mischief and mirth untold,
And there was one lover—but let that go—
The night draweth near, it is better so.

Well, I have no wish to linger,
For I have grown weary, love
And a shadowy, solemn finger
Seems ever to point above.
There true balm awaiteth the wounded breast;
After the fret and the fever—rest.

—*London Truth.*

THE HUNDREDTH MAN.

"Now, see here, my friend," said John Proctor, his honest eyes looking gravely into the tramp's face, as he balanced a dime on the tip of his finger. "I'm not going to read you a homily, on the subject of labor, but I want to present to you a little matter of statistics. You know, as well as I, that the territory is swarming with men of your class. Not less than six, begging for money, have stopped me on the street to-day, while down there at the yard"—indicating with his hand a row of tall lumber piles in the distance—"we haven't had three applications for work in a month."

"Try me."

"Do you imagine you would work if you had the chance? I have had a little experience with fellows of your sort. You have such remarkable appetites." He addressed him generally as the representative of a race. "You work half an hour, then come around with the plea that you can't work on an empty stomach, draw an advance of half a dollar on your wages, and that is the last we see of you."

The man retorted so sharply that one could almost have fancied the poor remnant of spirit abiding in him stirred him to something resembling wrath.

"That's always the way," he muttered. "Say we won't work; they won't give us a show. I know we're a pretty low-down set, but some of us start out square enough. If a man goes down there it's no getting up again."

There was something almost pathetic in his sullenness as he shuffled away, his rags flapping in the strong breeze and ill-mated shoes clattering an accompaniment to his gait.

"Come back here, will you?"

John Proctor's voice was strong and decisive. The tramp halted, hesitated, looked away and then shuffled back again.

"Come down to the yard this afternoon and I'll give you a job. But take this half-dollar and get filled up first."

He had exchanged the dime for a larger coin and held it in his outstretched hand.

The man did not immediately extend his hand to take it. In the moment or two that elapsed, the young lumberman thought he detected a trace of something allied to resentful pride in his bearing. But the illusion vanished as a grimy hand closed greedily upon the silver, and the fellow disappeared, without even troubling himself to make any formal expression of his gratitude.

John Proctor looked after him with a quizzical smile. Five minutes later he knew his own name would be the toast of a drunken crowd of loafers in the saloon around the corner. To be sure it would not help to advance a certain Quixotic reputation which had attached itself to him since his first advent in this little Mexican town. But he stendily adhered to his creed. Grant that ninety-nine out of a hundred of this population were thieves and menials. he was wont to say he preferred to be victimized by the ninety and nine rather than miss that hundredth man.

Arrived at the park, a strip of land running through the heart of the place, the title to which was in dispute between the railroad company, a handful of determined squatters, and the government, John brought down the wire fence this morning with one vigorous kick. Kicking down this wire fence was one of the legitimate pastimes of the inhabitants, who could not afford to make a detour of a mile or more to reach their places of business, nor yet hazard garments by scaling it. These encroachments on the part of citizens had once been resisted with warlike demonstrations; but now, as Proctor stepped through the gap, a patient-looking, round-shouldered little man advanced, trundling a wheelbarrow, laden with a huge coil of barb-wire, and, politely greeting the trespasser, set about repairing the fence. Parsons was in the employ of the road and scrupulously obeyed his instructions, but a gleam of triumph in his eye told that he sympathized with the trespasser.

As John Proctor took his way down through the park in the direction of his office, he seemed to throw off the unpleasant reflections which had been annoying him with one shrug of his powerful shoulders. The young man's eyes fell cheerily upon the somewhat incongruous array of buildings that constituted the town. He gloried in the homely little edifices squatting over the ground in various directions. Had not every foot of lumber been supplied from his own lumber yard? And did not this avalanche of trade mean—Annie? Nothing could be mean or poor which brought these years of waiting to an end. He was a practical man, little given to enthusiasm of any sort, but for her sake he looked with the glowing vision upon the turreted mountain-tops in the distance, with their purple shadows and golden light. How she would rejoice over them, that quiet little denizen of western prairies, who had lived among the monotonous levels of central Illinois all her life.

The thought lent cheerful energy to his voice, as he entered the yard and gave some directions to Maxon, his hard-worked bookkeeper and general factotum. Proctor was deeply engrossed in making out an order for several carloads of finishing lumber, when a shadow darkened the floor and the tramp stood before him. He could not repress an exclamation of surprise. The vagabond observed it and his face lowered as he asserted himself defiantly.

"Yes, I've come," he said. "What are you going to give me to do?"

John Proctor put on his hat and went with him into the yard, where an empty car was waiting to be filled on an order from a neighboring town. He showed the man a small slip of paper tacked on the end, and was about to explain where he would find the material designated, when the fellow threw off his coat and deftly attacked a pile of scantling, which happened to be the first item that was on the list.

"Halloa!" said Proctor, gazing at him in surprise, "you seem to know something about this business?"

"A little," returned the man, shortly.

The young lumberman took his way back to the office. A little later the ruddy visage of Maxon looked in at the door as he returned from dinner.

"Oh, by the way, Maxon, I have a new man at work out in the yard. You might keep an eye on him."

"Now, Mr. Proctor," exclaimed Maxon in hopeless protest. "Is it another of them fellows?"

"Well, you see, he declared he was willing to work, and it seems only fair to give a man a chance."

The broad-shouldered young proprietor was avowedly on the defensive.

"So far as I am concerned, of course it's nothing to me," observed Maxon, dejectedly. "But it puts me out to have you made a laughing-stock all over town. It's a shame—well, it's no use talking. Yes, you may depend upon me to keep an eye on him, sir! These fellows will bear watching. I say, though, Mr. Proctor, haven't you got nigh y close up to that hundred?"

Ha f an hour later Maxon looked in again, and his face it up with a mischievous smile.

"Don't you want to take a look at your new hand now, Mr. Proctor? He is just like the rest of them, sitting on a lumber pile and doubled up with a chin in—"

A flying Spanish conversation-book checked further intelligence, and Maxon dodged around the corner to escape further missiles. At 6 o'clock, when the hands came up to receive pay for their day's labor, John Proctor saw his protege standing off a little distance. The man made no demand for wage, and his employer took no notice of him. As the men filed out, the agent of the Plumbago city train, a personal friend of Proctor, came running into the office with a package in his hand.

"Here, Proctor, run them over quickly and sign the receipt. It's the $5000 from Juarez & Simmons. I haven't a moment to spare."

The lumber-man hastily counted the notes, signed his name to the receipt in a bold, dashing hand, and the agent hurried off.

Left alone, Proctor drew from his pocket a long, Russian leather pocket-book and laid the notes carefully inside. As he thrust this into his breast pocket he chanced to glance toward the window and encountered the hungry eyes of the tramp following all his movements from without. As the man saw he was detected, he paused, seemed about to speak, then changed his mind and sauntered away carelessly. A vague anxiety assailed John Proctor. It was long after banking hours; there was no help for it: he must be the custodian of the treasure until morning.

He sat up late that night. The payment of this sum was a that was necessary to make the trip a definite and tangible matter. There was a pile of correspondence to be turned off and a letter to be dispatched to the little woman in Illinois, telling her to discharge her music pupils and make ready for his coming. When he had finished his letters, he sat quietly for awhile in his big arm-chair. It was very late when he rose, and, looking doors and windows, proceeded to the little inner room, where he slept. He drew off his coat, and, folding it carefully placed it beneath his pillow. Then he examined the barrels of an English bull-dog pistol, which hung upon a hook beside the bed. Reassured by this precaution, he sank into a heavy sleep.

Several hours before a man had crawled upon a low pile of planks flanked by two others of towering height. As he stretched himself at full length with a bundle of shakes for a pillow, he philosophically reflected that such a bed was not to be despised. He was not ill-qualified to judge, for his experience had been a wide and diversified, and he had learned to weigh the most delicate points of variance with the fine discrimination of a connoisseur.

He had traveled half-way across the continent without once knowing the shelter of a civilized roof. He had tented beneath the fragrant shades of orange groves in southern California, and in waving fields of golden grain; some terrible nights on the Colorado desert, where the mercury marks 110 degrees at midnight, parching for water and choking with the hot dust of the arid waste, walking a daylight to find the delusive mirage mocking him in the distance. He had sunk down exhausted on the barren plains of Arizona and aroused to find himself stabbed in a thousand places by the cactus-needles, crept upon him by the malicious breeze—ever lured on by the sweet face of a child who had smiled farewell through a mist of tears.

The quiet of the place, the gently stirring air, odorous with the fragrance of the pine woods, and the sleepy twinkle of the stars overhead, and the weariness of muscles unaccustomed to labor, soon lulled him into slumber.

A little later two glowing sparks of fire seemed to glide down the railroad track, steal around the office and disappear within the long dry shed at its rear. During their progress these sparks of fire occasionally described magnificent curves in the air, in the accentuation of certain rythmical utterances in the corrupted Spanish of the Mexican tongue. The lowest Mexican peon who all his life goes half clothed, half fed and unsheltered, handles his cigar or cigarette with the fine po sposity and careless grace of the proudest hidalgo.

John Proctor awoke that night to find himself assailed by a foe mightier than his feeble imagination had pictured. He tried to rise, but found himself unable, oppressed by a terrible sense of suffocation from dense volumes of smoke which filled the air, through which vast sheets of flame darted their forked tongues towards him. Suddenly the wall of flame and smoke was parted and the face of the tramp beat over him. He was roughly shaken, pulled off the bed, half dragged, half carried through the little private office, and dragged into the larger room beyond, where the fire had begun its work of devastation. Then voice and memory came back, and he shouted:

"My notes! In my coat pocket—under the pillow—let me go!"

For an answer he was violently propelled forward into the arms of some men, eagerly crowding through the flaming doorway. He struggled to free himself from their grasp. He fought with them, upset them and finally broke down and cried like a child. Maxon's fierce tones recalled him to himself.

"Why, man, do you think we would let you go into that fiery furnace again? See! There goes the roof now!"

With a gentle waving motion of the roof seemed to slowly vibrate to and fro, then sank down with a sudden crash, and a flying volume of sparks celebrated its downfall.

With half-dazed senses John Proctor stared about him, and his gaze wandered to the sky above him, where an angry crimson glow had blotted out the stars and rested on the distant mountain chains, weirdly reflecting from their seamed fronts and craggy peaks the glare of the unright ous flames. Would he admire them now?

Surely it it was a spectacle to enchant the eyes of unprejudiced spectators, whose whole possessions were not being sacrificed to the effect. He turned to the scene before him. There was still something to be done. The cream of the stock had been destroyed, but unless some piles of lumber to the right of the building were speedily removed, the fire would communicate with the whole outside stock, stretched for several hundred yards along the track. He turned to the crowd of men who stood there, inactive, gazing upon the scene.

"Come on and help us save the lumber!"

A couple of dozen men came promptly forward. The lumberman saw, to his surprise, that the volunteers were almost exclusively composed of the so-called professional men of the town. The local officials of the railroad, a well-dressed set of fellows, commonly viewed with contemptuous eyes by the hard-working portion of the population, presented themselves to a man. The tall form of Judge Cheeseman, a slim and somewhat aristocratic legal luminary, loomed up in their midst. A quiet-looking little real estate agent leaped upon a pile of shingles and began to fling the bunches down to a German chemist below. The two rival editors (for the least of New Mexican villages usually boasts its miniature newspaperdom) who had exchanged shots on Gold avenue the previous day, glared cordially at each other among the lengths of timber they undertook to transport to a place of safety. The laboring population offered scarcely a representative, save in the person of a few contractors and mechanics, who have learned to know an I like the pleasant young lumberman.

The men worked like heroes. Their energy never wanes until a faint light in the east began to rival the red glare which the flames, through the medium of high, rare atmosphere, cast over the desert plains for miles around, and every piece of timber was removed to a safe distance.

Worn and wearied, John Proctor sat down to rest upon the wheel of his own copying-press. A gradual change had taken place in the ranks of the loungers. Many of the spectators of the night had gone home to refresh themselves with a nap, and the remainder were reinforced by a straggling corps of men who had slept all through the turmoil and excitement. One of these, a stout fellow with a big diamond blazing in his shirt bosom and a mimic beer-bottle suspended from his massive watch chain, was recounting his experiences, as all people revel in detailing their individual impressions on the occasion of a fire.

"You see, I was sleeping like a log when Lizzie caught hold of my shoulder, and she says, 'Bob, Bob, wake up, I tell you!' The sky is all afire, and there must be an eclipse!' I reached up to see if my pocket-book was safe—"

The words brought back to John Proctor a sense of the loss he had sustained. At that moment Maxon strolled up, flushed with exertion. He had just administered a sound kicking to a couple of young Mexicans whom he had detected making off with a keg of building hardware.

"Maxon," he said, abruptly, "did that fellow who got me out last night come out safely himself?"

"Now, I think of it," returned Maxon, "he went back a minute, but he got out all right—just as the roof fell in. I thought at the moment a piece of falling timber hit him, but he scrambled off fastenough."

A dread suspicion assailed John Proctor's honest heart, but he repelled it sturdily. Yet all day long, as he wandered dreamily about, answering a thousand questions, or fishing from the ruins various mementoes of the wreck, there would constantly intrude upon him the memory of two greedy, devouring eyes peering through a window, a stranger retreat into a burning building and disappearance into the shadows. When night came it was necessary for some one to stay and guard the ruins, for, if the wind should rise, some smouldering piles of lumber might be fanned into a blaze and the remainder of the stock swept away. Maxon, wearied and hollow-eyed, offered his services.

"Not a bit of it, Maxon. Go home to your wife and babies. I have engaged a man."

Proctor did not add that the watchman he had engaged was no other than himself, but when the rest had gone home he remained there alone. Separated as it was from the rest of the town, by night it was a dreary solitude. A fiery spark miles away over the level plain developed into the headlight of the evening train; which thundered past on its way to the depot below. The moon came up and threw into weird relief the blackened ruin.

John Proctor, who had been slowly pacing to and fro, sat down upon a bunch of shingles and buried his face in his hands. He knew what not even Maxon had guessed—that his disaster had wrought his irreparable ruin. It would require every cent of his insurance money to settle his outstanding liabilities, for he had done business on the rushing, western plan and had carried a stock out of all proportion to his capital. If he had only saved that $5000, or if he had not been so ambitious, Annie had been ready—poor little girl. She had even proposed bringing her piano to this raw southern town and eking out their income with the result of her own labors. On one point he was resolved. Whenever he got square with the world again he would put his pride in his pocket and, humbly presenting himself before the little woman, ask her to share his fortunes for better or worse. Oh, God! how long will it be? A sharp groan escaped his lips.

Sudde nly he rose and stood erect. His quick ear had caught the sound of some heavy body slowly moving over the ground.

"Who is there?"

"Only me. Is that you, boss?"

John Proctor bent forward and perceived a man slowly crawling along the shadow of a pile of joists. As the figure emerged into the moonlight he saw that the fellow dragged one leg helplessly after him. His suspicions melted away beneath his natural warmth of heart.

"Are you hurt?"

"Only a falling timber, boss; but the ire got into my eye and I can't see very well."

He had drawn himself to Proctor's feet and stopped, turning a little upon his side, his head propped up with his hand.

"You see, when I came through the door something fell against me, and not seeing you and not being able to get, about very well, there were so many of those cussed Mexican thieves about, I was afraid they might take off with this," holding out a flat leather pocket-book, which John Proctor seized with a glad exclamation. The man went on talking in an absent way.

"I wouldn't have liked to have you think ill of me. You're the first man who gave me a chance since I got down. I wasn't always a loafer, sir. You spoke of my knowing something about the business, and to be sure I ought, if 15 years as a 'sorter' in the Wisconsin lumber regions can teach a man anything of lumber. But when my wife died I struck off out west. It's been hard luck ever since, and my little girl back there with her grandparents——"

His voice seemed to fail for weakness.

"What have you eaten to-day?" asked the other sharply.

The man answered reluctantly and almost in a tone of apology:

"You see, sir—down there among the lumber piles—how could I?"

John Proctor was a man given more to action than speech. He addressed the man now, in clear, decided tones:

"Do you think you could hold on to my back while I carried you down to the hotel?"

"Why, sir! It wouldn't be fit."

"Shut up! Put your arms around my neck."

The office and barroom of the hotel, a pretentious edifice of Eastlake architecture, held its usual quota of respectable loafers when John Proctor entered with the uncouth figure on his back. A gurgle of laughter ran through the crowd. The majority fancied the young lumberman's brain had been turned by his recent losses and that his dementia had taken the form of a violent development of the weakness with which he had been accredited. The laughter suddenly ceased when the young man went straight to the clerk, saying in clear, ringing tones:

"Give me the best room you have. This man, who saved my life last night, is badly hurt. Some of you (turning to the idlers) go at once for the surgeon of the Atchison road."

A dozen men sprang forward to relieve him of his burden, to help him carry the poor fellow to a comfortable room, where he was gently laid upon the bed. The sufferer received these attentions in silence. His dim eyes stared incredulously about the room and into the kindly faces bending over him. That anything like this should happen to him. How long would it last? Would they let him have one good night's rest before turning him out again? When once more on the desolate plain, wandering through sagebrush, mesquite and soap weed, it would seem like some strange dream. But what was this? The stalwart young lumberman, speaking huskily to the doctor:

"And mind, McLean, do your best. I owe him more than I can tell you. Put him in good trim to take the foremanship of my yard when I get stocked up."

This sally old vagrant buried his face in his pillow and wept.

The Prices Were Very Decollete.

"The prices on that," said a clerk, picking up a remnant of silk, "is quite decollete."

"What?" said the startled customer.

"The prices is quite decollete," I said.

"Young man, do you know what decollete means?"

"Yes, madam, I do."

"Well, I think you are mistaken."

"Oh, no, I am not."

"What does it mean?"

"It means cut low, and that's what's the matter with the price on this piece of goods; it's way down."—[Merchant Traveler.

OREGON'S EARLY EXPLORERS

BY PROF. W. D. LYMAN—FIFTH PAPER.

The expeditions of Gray and Vancouver by sea, and that of Lewis and Clark by land, had lifted the veil of mystery from the river of the west, but much yet remained to see, especially on the land ward side, before it could be said that the country was known. We need to cross the bar with at least one more tossing ship and to float with one more canoe-fleet on the alternate foaming rapids and tranquil deeps of the Columbia. We must once more face the snowy bulwarks of the shining, stony or Rocky mountains (as they were successively called—each name worse than the preceding—) and again crawl through the savage canyons of the Snake river. We must once again bask in the flickering camp-fire light beside the yellow Missouri or shiver in the whirling snow-flakes of the Idaho mountains. And we can meanwhile gloat over the juicy haunches of buffalo or the sizzling beaver-tails, or with changing luck worry down a dog-chop or mule-steak, or grimly gnaw a boiled moccasin.

The next set of expeditions to Oregon after the time of Lewis and Clark was not connected with the founding of Astoria and the operations of the American Fur Co. Though familiar to many through the fascinating but not altogether reliable narrative of Irving, this ill-starred venture of John Jacob Astor is no doubt unknown to many of those now in daily sight of the scenes where it was carried on. In its brilliant promise, costly establishing, distressing hardships and bitter disappointments, it was typical of much of the early fur trading in this, as well as other parts of our land. The fur trade has always been the forerunner of civilization in this country. First to break the ground in the wilderness, it has braved the first perils and grasped the first profits. It has climaxed the cream of the wilderness, but many a time the costly cream-pitcher has been broken in carrying it away.

Canada was at first the battlefield of the rival fur companies of the new world. Here the sanguine and vivacious and amiable Frenchman struggled against the Indian treachery and calculating shrewdness of the Englishman and Scotchman. Finally, after many years of rivalries, the great Northwest company of Montreal triumphed over all its competitors. Though its partners were mainly Scotchmen, its employes were a motley throng of French Canadians, Indians, half-breeds, and wanderers of all antecedents, or sometimes of none at all. This Northwest company, founded in 1783, had for its main field of operations the great lakes and thence northwestward to Lake Winnipeg, Lake Manitoba, even to the wintry shores of Hudson's bay. The immense profits, in spite of disasters, of this company, incited to the same pursuit the rich men of New York. John J. Astor. Already wealthy, it seems to have been more ambition than cupidity which led him into his vast enterprise. His plans were formed on a scale of great magnitude. With remarkable keenness of commercial vision, he saw, far in advance of most men of that time, the geographical significance of the Columbia river and its contiguous territory. A great fur company, well established on the shores of this river, he thought, would not only reap a rich harvest for itself but would be the foundation of a great American state, and it, located thus at the gateway of the world, would take toll from both east and west.

In short, the north Pacific coast, with a powerful American civilization built up upon it would, in time, become the distributing point for the silks and teas, etc., of the teeming orient going east, and for the lumber, machinery, etc., of the occident going west.

Mr. Astor's scheme was a royal scheme. Though anticipating dangerous rivalry from the Northwest company, whose posts were already rising along the extreme upper part of the Columbia, Astor felt it necessary, for the sake of getting thoroughly trained traders, to employ former members of the Northwest company. His second in command, however, was Wilson P. Hunt, a Jerseyman.

Our present interest in this great enterprise being its connection with this country, it must suffice to say that two elaborate y provided expeditions, one by land and the other by sea, set forth on their respective ways in the year 1810.

A fatality seemed to attend the naval part of the scheme from its very organization. The staunch and gallant ship, the Tonquin, well-provisioned and well-manned, seemed to deserve only prosperous winds and auspicious stars. But hardly had New York vanished behind the horizon of the first day's sail when it became evident that there were discordant elements on the ship. The stern, dictatorial and precise commander, Thorn, and the arrogant, and equally dictatorial chief partner on board, McDougal, struck fire the moment they came in contact. The sparks of temper struck off from them threatened constantly to blow up the whole scheme. Their long voyage from New York to the Columbia, punctuated by brief delays at the Falkland islands and at Honolulu, was marked by fair weather outside and very rough weather in the vessel. However, they stayed with each other of necessity, and on March 22, 1811, they confronted the wild and lonesome coast bordering the Columbia.

And just here one can hardly avoid noting that the bar must have been more uniformly rough at that period than now. Almost every voyager of that time speaks of delays caused by the frightful surges and conflicting winds of the bar.

But as we well know, at the present time the bar is, much of the time, perfectly tranquil, and, except during the occasional violent storms of winter, is never the forming, frightful, entrance habitually described by those ancient mariners. It is likely that the formation of said island has caused a deepening of the channel, and consequent diminution of breakers. It may be reasonably expected that the proposed jetties from Point Adams will contribute still further to the same result. The Tonquin seems to have been appalled, like other vessels of those times, at the tumbling billows that marked with foam the exit of the great river, and she did not dare attempt them until soundings had been made. For this purpose the chief mate, Fox, together with one old sailor, and three of the Canadian voyagers, were dispatched in the whale-boat. Fox very naturally dreaded such a dare-devil trip with such imperfect equipment and inexperienced crew. But the stern and heartless captain never countermanded an order and the five brave fellows committed themselves to the wild tossings of the sea. Their poor little cockle-shell of a boat went bobbing across the waters, now lost to view in the trough of some monstrous wave, now flung as a dark speck upon the crest of a white-cap, and at last vanishing in the waste of waves, never to reappear. Such was the first offering made by the tyranny and stubbornness of Captain Thorn to the cannibals of Columbia bar. Even his stern heart was slightly softened as, after a night and day of eager watching, it became sure that the whale-boat and its crew were lost.

The next day the Tonquin, guided by a sounding party in the pinnace, turned her course into the channel.

The pinnace trying to reach the ship at this point was caught in the furious current and swept seaward. While the ship's crew were watching with deep anxiety their struggling comrades, they suddenly became aware by their own bumping and grinding keel that they themselves were in danger. But after a few minutes wrenching and excitement, they sheered off into seven fathoms of water, and cast anchor till midnight. Released from their own immediate peril, their minds began to dwell with intense solicitude upon their lost companions in the pinnace. Little time was allowed to grief or reflection, however and even while the fancied cries of the drowning mingled in their ears with the fury of the elements they discovered that the mighty refluent current of the river was about to loosen the sandy grip of their anchor and precipitate them on the spit. A brisk gust of west wind springing up opportunely, they let go the anchor, and gliding past the dark palisades of Cape Hancock, were overjoyed to find themselves within the still and sheltered cove of Baker's bay. In the morning a party led by the captain set forth to explore the shore. Proceeding along the beach (in the vicinity, no doubt, of Ilwaco) they were overjoyed to suddenly come upon one of the supposed lost crew of the pinnace. To their eager inquiries he related a tale of disaster, from which it appeared that all but himself and a Kanaka—the latter left almost dead on the beach—were lost. This loss of eight men on the very threshold of their undertaking chilled the courage of the party and seemed to foreshadow their doom.

After much squabbling between the captain and the partners of the concern, it was determined to make their permanent location on a bold point of the southern shore, rendered inviting by excellent anchorage and shelter from the most violent winds, and known hitherto by the name applied by Broughton, Point George. This latter, after sundry conflabs with the oneiseed Chinook chieftain, Comcomly, Captain Thorn, reluctantly, for he had preferred the neighborhood of Ilwaco, turned the Tonquin's prow. The balmy atmosphere of spring, the budding trees, the early flowers modestly peeping out from the borders of the tangled woods, and above all, the welcome release from the harrowing anxieties of the preceding fortnight, quite captivated the sea-worn and hungry crew.

April 12, 1811, is a notable day in the annals of the Columbia river. For on that day the first ground was broken and the first trees were felled on the site of the first town upon his banks. On that day the Venice of Oregon first peeped above the soil. In honor of Mr. Astor the newly settled city was called Astoria. Who could have seen in the rude log warehouse of that time the possibility of the pleasant homes, the multitudinous saloons, the spacious wharves, and the huge canneries now characteristic of the emporium of the salmon trade.

Several weeks elapsed before the cargo of the Tonquin could be discharged. The impatient Thorn was meanwhile railing at the "sporting excursions," as he called the various reconnoitering expeditions of the party. But at last, on June 1st, Thorn and McDougal joyfully bade each other farewell and the Tonquin proceeded northward on her trading excursion. And just here a word of explanation as to Astor's plan in regard to these trading trips seems well. He designed that Astoria should be the central depot of trade and supplies; that from it parties should radiate by land and river and trade with the Indians for furs as well as to fit out trapping parties of their own; that from Astoria, as headquarters, should proceed the annual supply ship (from New York) to fit trading trips to the bays and ports north of the Columbia; and that those supply ships having filled up partially on those trips should complete their lading at Astoria. Then away for China, the great market for furs at that time. In China the empty vessel should reload with nankeens and teas and silks wherewith to clothe and educate the fair inhabitants of New York. Two years would pass in completing this vast commercial "rounding up." For the still further enlargement of his business, Mr. Astor had also made arrangements to supply the Russian posts at New Archangel. He wished to do this partly from the profits accruing therein and partly to shut off competition in his own territory. This last he could accomplish through that semi-partnership with the Russians in furnishing them supplies.

There were at that time three especially valuable fur-producing animals found in vast quantities in this country. The first, the beaver, was found in all the interior valleys, the Willamette country, as was afterward found, being pre-eminent in this respect.

The other two, the sea otter and seal, were found on the coast. The sea otter fur was the most valuable. Its velvety smoothness and glossy blackness rendered it first in the markets of the world of all furs from the temperate zone of North America and inferior only to the ermine and sable and possibly the fiery fox of the far north.

The profits of the fur trade were such as might well entice daring and avarice to run the gauntlet of icebergs, starvation, ferocious savages and stormy seas.

The profits of a single voyage might liquidate even the enormous cost of the outfit. For instance, Ross, one of the clerks of Astor's company, and located at Okanagan, relates that one morning before breakfast he bought of Indians 10 beaver skins at the rate of five leaves of tobacco per skin. Afterward a yard of cotton cloth, worth say, 10 cents, purchased 20 fine beaver skins, worth in New York $5 apiece.

For four fathoms of blue beads, worth, perhaps, a dollar, Lewis and Clarke obtained a sea otter skin, the market price of which varied from $45 to $60. Ross notes an another place that for $165 in trinkets, cloth, &c., he purchased peltries worth in the Canton market $11,250. Indeed, even the ill-fated voyages of Mr. Astor's partners proved that a cargo worth $25,000 in New York might be expected to be replaced in two years with one worth a quarter of a million, a profit of a thousand per cent. We cannot wonder, then, at the eager enterprise and fierce, sometimes bloody, competition of the fur traders.

With this outline of the business awaiting the Tonquin, let us pursue her fortunes to their terrible conclusion. They form the most dramatic chapter in the history of the northwest.

A Frenchman, Franchere by name, one of the Astoria clerks, is the chief authority for the story. Irving appears to have taken some poetic license with this account. According to him, with a total force of twenty-three and an Indian of the Chehalis tribe called Lamazee for interpreter, the Tonquin entered the Harbor of Neweetee. Franchere calls the Indian Lamanse, and the harbor, he says, the Indian called Newity. We shall probably be safe in following Bancroft and suppose the place to have been called Nootka sound. Nootka sound, on the west side of Vancouver's island, has been referred to in a previous sketch as a bad place for the traders. In 1803 the ship Boston and all her crew but two had been destroyed there.

But it is well worth noting that these Indians, like all others on the coast, were disposed at first to be friendly, and only the indignities and violence of traders transformed their pacific disposition to one of sullen treachery! Captain Thorn had been repeatedly and urgently warned by Mr. Astor and his associates against trusting to the Indians. One standing rule was that not more than four or five should be allowed on the deck at once. But the choleric Thorn treated with equal contempt the suggestions of caution and savage hucksters. A great quantity of the finest kind of sea otter skins had been brought on deck and to all appearance a most lucrative and amicable trade was before them. But 20 years of traffic with the whites and a long course of instruction from the diplomatic and successful chief Maquinna had rendered the Nootka Indians less pliable and less innocent than Thorn expected. His small stock of patience was soon exhausted. One cunning and leering old chief, who seemed to be urging the others to hold out for higher prices, the captain soon began to scowl at with special rage. But the oily visage was scowl-proof, and the impatient sailor had the mortification to see that he was likely to be out-Jewed by one of those dirty and despised redskins. He could stand it no longer. In his most impressive and naval manner he bids the Indians to leave. But the obnoxious chieftain stands motionless, a perfect statue of savage impudence. All sense and judgment vanished from the captain's mind. Seizing him by the hair he propelled him rapidly toward the ship-ladder. Then, with a convenient bundle of furs, snatched up furiously, he emphasized the chieftain's exit. Nor is it likely that he spared a liberal application of boot-leather to the most accessible part of the savage trader's anatomy instantly, as by magic, the Indians left the ship. In spite of the babel of jabbering traffickers were only the hair-brained captain and his astonished and silent crew. Mr. McKay, the partner on board, was very indignant when, on returning from a short trip ashore, he learned of the untimely cessation of trade. He assured Captain Thorn that he had not only spoiled their business but had endangered all their lives. He therefore urged making sail from the place at once. The Chehalis Indian, Lamanse, also enforced McKay's wish, asserting that further intercourse with the Indians could result only in disaster. But the stubborn captain would listen to no advice. So long as he had a knife or a handspike they needn't try to scare him into running before a lot of naked redskins. The night passed in quiet. Early the next morning a number of Indians, demure and peaceable as can be imagined, paddled alongside. Bundles of furs held aloft signified their wish to trade. In great triumph Captain Thorn pointed out to McKay the successful issue of his discipline. "That is the way to treat them," he said; "just show them that you are not afraid and they will behave themselves." The Indians were very respectful and exchanged their furs for whatever was offered.

Pretty soon another large boat had well supplied with the choicest peltries, asked permission to go aboard. The now good-natured and self-satisfied skipper gladly complied. Then another canoe, and a fourth, and a fifth disgorged a perfect horde on board. But some of the more watchful sailors noticed, with alarm that, contrary to custom, no women left the canoes, and that certain of the fur-bundles the savages would not sell at any price, while as to others they were perfectly indifferent. Pretty soon it was noticed that, moving as if by accident, the Indians had somehow become massed at all the assailable points of the vessel. Even Captain Thorn was startled when this fact became unmistakable. But putting a bold front upon his sudden fear, he gave the order to up anchor and man the top-mast, preparatory to sailing. He then ordered the Indians to return to their boats. With a scarce perceptible flush darkening their listless faces, they picked up their remaining bundles and started for the ladder. As they went, their cat-like tread scarce audible even in the oppressive stillness, their knotted fingers stole into their bundles. Out again flashed and in their long knives and cruel stoneons!

In an instant the wild war-yell broke the awful silence. And then the peaceful Tonquin's deck saw a slaughter grim and pitiless. Lewis, the clerk, and McKay were also at instants dispatched. Then a crowd with fiendish triumph set upon the Captain, beat on evening up at once the old score. The brawny frame and iron will of the brave, though foolhardy old salt made him a dangerous object of attack. And not till a half dozen of his assailants had measured their bleeding length on the slippery deck did he succumb. Then he was hacked to pieces with savage glee. Meanwhile four sailors, the only survivors besides the interpreter, Lamanse, from whom the whole story is told, having gained access to the hold, began firing on the triumphant Indians. And with such effect did they work that the whole throng left the ship in haste and sought the shore. Lamanse, meanwhile, was spared, but held in captivity for two years. The next day the four surviving sailors attempted to put to sea in a small boat, but were pursued and probably murdered by the Indians. And now, like a band of buzzards circling round a carcass, the Indian canoes began to cluster around the deserted ship.

The night had been spent in savage mirth, and now in prospect of the rifling of an entire ship their joy knew no bounds. All was silent. The hideous dumbness of the day before was succeeded by an equally hideous calm. Cautiously at first, then emboldened by the utter lifelessness, in throngs the Indians clambered to the deck. Their instinctive fears of stratagem were soon lost in gloating over the disfigured forms of their vanquished foes, and in rifling the store-houses of the ship. Arrayed in gaudy blankets and adorned with multiplied strands of beads, they strutted proudly over the deck. Five hundred men, women and children now swarm the ship.

Suddenly, with an awful crash and boom, the luckless Tonquin with all its load of living and dead is flung in fragments around the sea. Her powder magazine had incensed Saupo-on among the Philistines, and she had made one common ruin for herself and her enemies in the very scene of their triumph. Dismembered bodies, fragments of legs and arms and sputtered brains, stained and darkened the peaceful water far and wide. According to Lamanse, as quoted by Franchere, 200 Indians were thus destroyed. Franchere also says that no one knows who blew up the ship, though he thinks it most likely that the four sailors left a slow train on board when they abandoned her. Irving most thrillingly describes Lewis as having been wounded, and remaining on board after the four survivors had gone, for the purpose of enticing the savages on board and then letting off the train so as to destroy himself and them in one final and awful retribution. Bancroft, however, finding no warrant for this in the narrative of Franchere, the only known authority, does not hesitate to accuse Irving of fabricating it.

Whatever may have been the details, the general fact, with its horrible results to both whites and natives, rapidly spread abroad. Ere long it began to be whispered with bated breath among the Chinooks around Astoria. Thus it reached the ears of the traders there. At first entirely disbelieved, it began to be painfully sure, after the lapse of months, and no Tonquin in sight, that there must be something in it. The floating fragments of story, finally assumed an accredited form, though not till the reappearance of Lamanse, two years after the event, was it fully understood.

Franchere asserts that the insults of Captain Thorn were not the only cause of the tragedy, but that some months prior to this, Captain Ayres of Boston had kidnapped a number of the Nootka Indians, and their countrymen had sworn vengeance upon the first American vessel in their power. Another illustration of the famentable fact, so common on both sides in all Indian troubles, the suffering of the innocent for the guilty.

Great was the dismay among the Astorians, as may well be supposed, when there could be no longer doubt of the Tonquin's fate. Besides their sorrow in the loss of their mercantile brethren, their own business prospects were darkened almost to the point of despair. To add to their perplexity, it had been for some time evident that the Northwest company meant to outriva them if possible in their new and promising field. In fact as early as July 15, while as yet the disaster of the Tonquin was unknown, a boat's crew of the Northwesters, under command of David Thompson, had surprised the Astorians by a sudden appearance in their midst. Thompson has just made a very remarkable journey. He had struck the headwaters of the Columbia and through the terrific and desolate grandeur of those loftiest of the Rocky mountains had reached the glacial cradle of the geographical phenomenon, the Columbia. Here is seen a mere rivulet, set between the towering and snow-capped peaks of Brown and Hooker, both east and west, the former to the Athabasca, the latter to the Columbia. This stream having pursued to this point a northerly course of nearly 300 miles, turns on the bases of stupendous mountains, and after a sudden sharp turn westward, begins receiving in its curved career those large contributions of Canoe river, Thompson's stream, Thompson and his little party of eight men had launched their canoes and, the impetuous current they had encountered, descended to the blue flood for the first time, even at that distant point a stately river. Thence through the tranquil lakes of the Arrow lakes, and on swiftly over the rapids that flung their frail canoe like a feather from them, and now here they were, tired and hungry, glad to assure the anxious Astorians that posts of the Northwest company were already established on the waters of the Columbia. Thompson, however, disposed, however, to make the generous offer of confining his company to the region of the Rockies, provided the others would confine themselves to the west. But for some apparent reason the American company declined the proposal, and preparations for holding their own in the disputed territory were vigorously pushed. July 2d, a well equipped party of nine men, under command of David Stuart, one of the partners, accompanied by Thompson's party of equal number, stemming as well as might the flood-angered current of the Columbia, arrived from the evening sunshine. These voyagers were much interested in the sepulchers of Mt. Coffin. Many Indians deposited in canoes and adorned with trinkets that savage affection could command were there. The funeral dirges and wailings of the women at sunrise and sunset gave a weird attraction to the spot.

This party got the name of the Columbia river to be the Cowlesko, still so called from the name as recorded by Lewis and Clarke. Still later the botanist Douglas gives it as Cowalidsk. From which it appears that this, like other Indian names, was not easily reduced to writing. Irving calls it the Wallamet, the mouth of the "Wallamet" (Irving calls it) and gaining less delight than other explorers before and since upon the marvelous and invisible therefrom, they soon perhaps further progress checked by the portals of the Cascades.

Irving here makes the curious mistake of putting the Cascades and Dalles as one. Passing them, however, (as we may presume, in spite of Irving's assertion

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DIED THAT HIS RIVAL MIGHT LIVE.

[illegible] autumn was slowly sinking [illegible] behind purple waves of [illegible] Its ruddy light fell full on the [illegible] walls and warm amber sketch of [illegible] farm-house [illegible] yellow panes and standing through [illegible] net work of gossamer [illegible] flickered on the comely faces of two [illegible] people seated in the porch [illegible] tall brood of shoulder and stately [illegible] was almost faultly framed and [illegible] pursuing one too, distinguished [illegible] for the time being rather slighted than the plow like most [illegible] impetuous air as they had rapidly [illegible] led to burn flood for the Columbia [illegible] at that instant point a stately steam [illegible] through the tranquil deeps of [illegible] waters and on swiftly over cataract [illegible] ning their frail canoe like a foam-flake [illegible] paddle than the plow like most [illegible] glad to assume the chagrin [illegible] that trail posts of the Northwest co[illegible] day, and to hear him talk end[illegible] ers of the Columbia Thompson [illegible] [illegible] to make the very fa[illegible] f conducting his company to this end [illegible] have wondered that he could [illegible] provide for the others would only [illegible] in his heart of heart turn up [illegible] to steal it But for no very [illegible] His tanned face would flush with [illegible] that could literally be counted for [illegible] the excitement of a man who had [illegible] [illegible] before was half unnerved His [illegible] July 23d saw [illegible] fingers played nervously with this [illegible] of heavy hunting or [illegible] and his [illegible] grey eyes were alight more wholly [illegible] from the evening sunshine This [illegible] was as [illegible] the [illegible] current of the river [illegible] maiden by his side betrayed some one [illegible] were much interested in the [illegible] ness of this Her mild Devonian eyes [illegible] ruled by drooping lashes that in her [illegible] the peach like bloom that would [illegible] a far west country lass has given [illegible] to a pallor for which his words [illegible] afforded no sort of excuse

"You see Esther, the old grey thowel[illegible] Cowlshee still differs [illegible] in the mire o I couldn't will go in [illegible] still Inter the botanist Douglas [illegible] for his appearance there And [illegible] From which it [illegible] like other Indian names [illegible] be fixed to writing Pa[illegible] [illegible] wlands bordered [illegible] settled about lodging that [illegible] of the Willamet [illegible] field down

"Don't you think you'd better stay until [illegible] come back," he began then blushing [illegible] him at the mark to morrow [illegible] market such the best place to talk [illegible] cannot be expected to manage for [illegible]

"I should think not indeed But you [illegible] her just a little stock to [illegible] laughed merrily and [illegible] provocation to tell [illegible] "Not go yet I am your horse [illegible] With the sing[illegible] of the fur trade [illegible] I [illegible] put [illegible] post carrier alone [illegible] [illegible] rest of econ[illegible] [illegible] to the Fraser [illegible] supervise hitchings [illegible] inside his vo[illegible] round to him strange[illegible] and out of tune with what he had to [illegible] Esther we've known each other [illegible] were children together I've love[illegible] longer than I can remember, but I've [illegible] just began to hope that you might [illegible] little but for me

He was silent, and he went on more hurr[illegible] lapping as all Devon men will under[illegible] excitement, into broad west country

"Esther don't turn your face from me [illegible] don't seem able to speak soft words [illegible] my tongue drags like a wheel with the [illegible] Say whether you can love me [illegible] little Yes! or no! but don't tel[illegible] these care at all for Frank Copple[illegible]"

She turned suddenly, her eyes full of [illegible] her voice low and tremulous, but very

"John I have not deserved that from [illegible] If I ever could have loved him the [illegible] gone by You must think lightly [illegible] you believe, I could waste a thought [illegible] who betrayed he trust of one [illegible] and worthless though she may [illegible]

"Esther me, Esther!" he pleaded, put[illegible] voice and frame quivering in a [illegible] that was ridiculous for so strong a [illegible] but I thought you seemed to hum[illegible] and I couldn't bear that

Her eyes softened, for though his words [illegible] ample enough, she under stood their [illegible] meaning

It was only a little angry John [illegible] made me remember something I [illegible] to forget It always troubl[illegible] me to [illegible] that if I hadn't given Frank Copple[illegible] some encouragement at first he might [illegible] have been so reckless and had never [illegible] disgrace on a good name"

"I almost feel pity for him yet, and I—"

"You have compelled me I thought I [illegible] have compelled me to" [illegible] [illegible] the throat and gulping that down, [illegible] swallowed with it the words that [illegible] his tongue

"No! he does not deserve pity [illegible] said, "but some corn for my own silly [illegible] I do feel [illegible] to that" said John slowly, shaking [illegible] turning in my w[illegible] [illegible] chief [illegible] Frank was a gentleman born [illegible] likely young fellow that any maid [illegible] have been proud to have for a lover [illegible] behaved so badly Then Esther said [illegible] "I am quite [illegible]

"For shame, John, it would kill you [illegible] And and he [illegible] you have!"

[illegible] eyes were somewhat [illegible] been dull indeed if he had not [illegible] rendered her [illegible] [illegible] more to have it by blending [illegible] that only made it more per[illegible] for she stooped, he couldn't [illegible] blood reddening the white curves [illegible] with [illegible] words and perhaps touched with [illegible] inspiration that in matters of love [illegible] words are but cold interpreters he [illegible] down and kissed her cheek She did [illegible] only a deep sigh fluttered her [illegible] and the hot color rushed to her brow [illegible] quickly ebbed again

"You do not shrink from me I thought [illegible] for that."

"No dear John I feel put happy and [illegible] with your strong, true heart to guard me. [illegible] looking at the rising sun it [illegible] one months [illegible] white mists creeping up from the wood[illegible] at the deep ends slowly darkening [illegible] far stretches of heavy [illegible] The joy [illegible] hearts was sybilled by the subtl[illegible] [illegible] the most luminous [illegible] looked on such vid expanse of [illegible] moorland in the [illegible] light [illegible] [illegible] vainly tried to [illegible]

[illegible] that two years of rough campaigning [illegible] among the turbulent tribes of Afghan passes had wrought many changes but there was a pallor on his thin face a haggard look in the eyes no trace of which had been left by his forsaking a comrade He [illegible] to drag Frank forward some distance with difficulty and felt his foot strike against a boulder Then he sat down and tried to [illegible] store animation but without success

I can follow he said his head [illegible] seem to shape that it should end in a white [illegible] throats chime of clerical [illegible] that [illegible] make me savage now to think that I should have been Thank all the more for the deed of that smooth faced villain [illegible] told me about last night I am glad Frank didn't kill him though I have been thanking [illegible] how pleased Esther would be to hear it all and now

John fairly broke down then and [illegible] ing his face in his hands almost [illegible] him [illegible] up for [illegible] At last thus he seemed to hear the rush of water Was it fancy No the sound was scarcely louder than a ripple but it was enough to move him for another effort If the could only reach a brook they might follow it and find [illegible] after all He tried to rouse Frank but in vain There was no time to be lost so lifting him on his own broad shoulders John [illegible] staggered down toward the stream Hardly [illegible] that reached it when all his strength gave way under him and he fell in a heap deeply [illegible] His hook rod Frank's [illegible] consciousness He could not for some minutes realize the position Thinking they must have fallen asleep and been [illegible] in a snowdrift he [illegible] and [illegible] but with a [illegible] from [illegible] fatal He thrust back with an [illegible] tion of horror His fingers had touched something that he knew must be blood and looking [illegible] he saw it oozing from a deep cut in his companion's forehead Then [illegible] fallen down a rocky rift that seemed to end further on in a sort of cavern overhanging by [illegible] There at least he thought [illegible] might be found and if they should be snowed in it could hardly be worse than dying on the open moor He dragged John into it and by dint of much chafing brought him back to life but the poor fellow was too bruised even to rise and his head was heavy with pain How that night past [illegible] John Michelmore never knew Some half an hour after sunrise Frank getting one of the brambles together managed to keep up a little fire that prevented them from being frozen By morning the snow had ceased but it lay all around them many feet deep and John was too ill to move Another day passed their only food a scrap of pie left with the [illegible] tent in [illegible] Late [illegible] could have done further than [illegible] [illegible] more than man I will not say [illegible] but if I fail tell Esther I was not quite so bad as they made me out Good-by

Twain as a Talker

A friend [illegible] one of the reporters who work[illegible] San Francisco paper with Mark Twain tells the following

One evening Clemens came into our room and found Ned and me shining our boots

"What's up boys? he asked

"We're going to the theatre"

But it's not To do [illegible] you [illegible] of time said Clemens sitting down in the corner of the bed I want to tell you a good story and he proceeded to entertain us with an account of his latest practical joke The [illegible] reminded him of a personal experience on a steamboat which in turn led him on to a description of his life on the Mississippi He talked on without pause holding our closest interest by his artful blending of humor pathos vivid description and thrilling incident until at length [illegible] long off suddenly he stood with a laugh

Well boys if you're going to the theatre I guess you were off

We drew our watches It was 11 o'clock!

Calling Time

They were sitting in the parlor and he was getting sleepy

"What time is it?" she asked

He looked at his watch and replied that it lacked five minutes of 11 and then, being struck with an idea he said

"Why is my watch like you, pet?"

"I don't know"

"Because it is a pretty" he replied

"And why is my watch like you?" he asked

"I don't know I'm sure Why your watch like me, my dear?"

"Because it won't go," she replied with a yawn

Then the young man went home

A LOVE MATCH.

It was chilly November night when the train got into Hungerford

Hungerford was one of those new unattractive places which [illegible] the blight of mushroom [illegible] growth [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

GENERAL NEWS.

The House Passes the Naval Appropriation Bill,

THE LEASING OF INDIAN LANDS

Huntington Talks about the Railroad Lines.

The Ohio Poisoning Case Nearly Ended.

And Various Items.

Home.

WASHINGTON, Jan 10—Immediately after the reading of the journal Randall move to dispense the morning hour, for the purpose of pressing the navy appropriation bill to a passage.

This was strongly opposed by Stocklager, who maintained that the house should proceed to consideration of the special order in reference to public buildings.

Randall protested that in pressing the appropriation bill speedily he was doing what would be good to the country and still less to the party to which he belonged.

Stocklager replied with some warmth that he was performing what he considered his duty in contending for the execution of the special order.

Quite a brisk and apparently personal scrap then sprang up between Randall and Stocklager but the confusion in the hall was so great as to render their remarks unintelligible.

Stocklager later ended the scrap and moved Randall's motion, which was lost, yeas 116, nays 88, the necessary two-thirds to suspend the rules in the affirmative.

Stocklager then moved that the house go into committee of the whole for consideration of public building measures, and asked consent to make a statement.

Hutchins objected. The navy department was without appropriations, and it was time the house should proceed to business.

Stocklager's motion was lost 2—1, and the speaker proceeded to call the committees for reports.

After considerable desultory public improvement bills the house went into committee of the whole, Weliburn in the chair, on the naval appropriation bill for the remainder of the current year.

THE NAVAL BILL PASSED.

The house then passed the naval bill. The bill makes provision for the naval service for the six months ending June 30, 1886, on the basis of the bill which passed the house the first of the session of this congress, giving for each item of expenditure just one-half of the amount contained in said bill, with the following exceptions. For the current expenses at the bureaus, yards and docks, in lieu of one-half, or $700,000, there is given $500,000 for the current expenses of the bureau of construction and repair, in lieu of one-half, or $489,000, there is given $470,000 for the current expenses of the bureau of steam engineering, in lieu of one-half, or $375,000, there is given $250,000, together with an unexpended balance of $140,000 from the appropriation of 1885 for engineers; for the pay of the navy and marine corps the engineers, in lieu of one half the amount contained in said bill, a sum equal to the balance remaining after deducting appropriations for the previous months from the whole sum proposed in said bill. There is nothing in the bill for the steel cruisers, appropriations to complete them having already been made. The bill appropriates in all $6,129,156, which, added to the sum appropriated for the first six months ended December 31, 1885, $8,850,117, makes the total appropriation for the navy for the entire fiscal year of 1886, $14,984,273, or $918,901 less than appropriated for the fiscal year of 1885.

There was no debate on the bill and it was immediately read in sections for amendments.

On a point of order raised by Cobourn, the provision that naval line officers may be detailed as instructors in naval schools or colleges was struck from the bill. No amendments offered, and the committee having risen the bill passed without a dissenting vote.

The house then went into committee of the whole (Wilson of Iowa in the chair) on the consular and diplomatic appropriation bill.

Burns stated that the appropriation carried by the bill was $1,180,885, or $12,—24 less than the estimates. An item of $221,000 asked for by the estimates for preserving the boundary line between the United States and Mexico, was omitted. Many things remained under the law, under the treaty with Mexico, must be done before that government would be bound to pay one-half of the expenses of the work.

Robinson (New York) said he was opposed to appropriating money to pamper a lot of miserable snobs. He did not want a democratic snob to succeed a republican snob. [Laughter.]

Holman raised a point of order against the item providing for a consul general at Mexico. The point was sustained, and the item was struck out.

The committee rose and the house (at 10:1

LEASES OF INDIAN LANDS.

WASHINGTON, Jan 10—Colonel Bushnell of the Cherokee nation was examined by the senate committee on Indian affairs regarding the leasing of Indian lands to-day. He had no personal knowledge of any bribery or irregularity in connection with leases. He had heard a rumor that $1000 was paid to M. Rogers, member of the Cherokee council, to secure the lease. He declined to give the name of the person who told him, as it was only hearsay with his informant. In witness' opinion five cents per acre could be obtained, instead of two cents. He objected to the lease for this reason, and also because the areas covered by the different leases were too large. If the lands had been leased in small quantities, some of the Cherokees themselves would, he thought, have taken a portion. He believed there was a strong sentiment among the Cherokees against leases.

GENERAL NEWS

IN FAVOR OF THE SPANISH TREATY.

NEW YORK, January 10—A petition in favor of the Spanish treaty, addressed to the chairman of the committee of foreign relations of the senate, is being circulated among merchants and manufacturers of this city. It has already received a great number of signatures from prominent firms and representative houses in all branches of trade.

WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.

NEW YORK, Jan 10. The weekly bank statement shows the reserve increase to be $2,925,600. Banks now hold $17,041,000 in excess of legal requirements.

WILL RESUME.

PITTSBURG, January 10. Carnegie Bros. & Co. & Lyon Iron mills will resume in all departments at once, giving employment to several hundred men.

TODAY'S WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, Jan 10.—North Pacific coast, partly cloudy and local rains. California, local rains followed by fair weather.

RAILROAD NOTES.

HUNTINGTON'S RAILROAD LINES.

NEW YORK, Jan 10—C. P. Huntington, who has returned from a railroad inspection tour, said in an interview to-day that he had found his railroad interests in the southwest in as good shape as he expected under the circumstances. He denied positively the statements that he had been selling Central Pacific and Chesapeake & Ohio securities. The local business of the Central Pacific system, he said, was increasing. When asked about the default on January coupons of the first mortgage bonds of the Houston & Texas Central railway company, Huntington said: The fact of the matter is the Texas Central has not earned interest on these bonds. The bonds were issued when the road was without competition and making money. They bear seven per cent interest payable semi-annually. I am of opinion it would be wise to refund the bonded debt, and issue new bonds with a lower rate of interest which will come within the earning capacity of the road. Before I went away I arranged with the Southern Development company to buy Houston and Texas Central coupons from any person disposed to sell them. I did this simply because I thought some of the bondholders would need their money. The total amount of interest due on January coupons is $580,000. The Southern Development company has already bought $284,000 coupons.

CRIMINAL CALENDAR.

THE OHIO POISONING CASE.

EAST LIVERPOOL, Ohio, Jan 10—No more deaths have occurred from the Van Hoosan poisoning. It is now believed that all will recover. Annie Van Hoosan suspected of perpetrating the crime, has not yet been arrested. She is confined to her bed and strongly asserts her innocence. Her health has been bad for a long time, and within the past two weeks she has made three attempts at suicide. A preliminary hearing will be given her this afternoon.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

ANTI-LIQUOR DEALERS' MEETING.

SEATTLE, Jan. 10—[Special.]—A largely attended mass meeting was held to-night, the object being to counteract the influence of the liquor dealers, who are organized to influence legislation in their favor. The speakers were Judge J. R. Lewis, Judge Orange Jacobs and W. H. White, Esq. The whisky men were

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STATE DISPATCHES.

A SUICIDE AT FOUR MILE DELL.

YREKA, Jan 10—[Special.]—A son of Mr Kennedy, an old trapper and hunter living in the Siskiyou mountains, who wandered away from home two weeks ago to-day, was found dead near the Soda Springs hotel, ten miles east of the town yesterday. He had been subject to epileptic fits for many years, and it was supposed that he fell dead in one of these fits. He was partially deranged which caused a party to start in search of him shortly after he left home. His body was buried to-day.

DEATH OF A REPORTER.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 10. At about half-past 6 o'clock this morning Henry C. Hoyt, marine reporter at Meiggs' wharf for the merchants' exchange, died of typhoid fever. Mr Hoyt was about 35 years of age, and had occupied the position at Meiggs wharf for the past twenty years. He leaves a young wife and two small children. He was instrumental in saving many persons from drowning, while stationed at his place of duty.

THE RECOUNT FOR SHERIFF.

In the recount for sheriff which is in progress in this city all but eleven precincts had been counted up to adjournment of court to-night, resulting thus far in reducing Hopkins' official majority from 261 to 10. Friends of Pallett, republican contestant, express confidence in the ultimately gaining the election.

FOREIGN DISPATCHES

ENGLAND.

WANT TO ANNEX SAMOA.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The colonial government of New Zealand has asked permission of the home government to annex the island of Samoa to its jurisdiction. It considers it necessary in readiness to proceed to Samoa pending the decision of Lord Derby, secretary of state for the colonies. This reply will probably be unfavorable.

THE UNEMPLOYED AT WORK.

LONDON, Jan 10. The police have received information that simultaneous attempts are about to be made by dynamiters to blow up Holborn viaduct and Mansion House railway station. Extra constables are being taken at all points, and all baggage is scrutinized with extreme care.

WARSHIP ORDERED.

LONDON, Jan 10. The admiralty has invited tenders of the shipbuilders of Belfast for the immediate construction of six cruisers. The second battalion of the Sussex regiment has been ordered to proceed from Malta to Egypt.

AFRICA.

FIGHTING ON THE WEST COAST.

BERLIN, Jan 10. Commander Knorr of the German squadron on the coast of west Africa has telegraphed that the corvettes Leipsic and Bussard arrived at Cameroons December 18th and landed 300 men and four guns because the natives of Hickory town and Joss town had expelled King Bell and threatened merchants if they were going to burn Bell town. The expedition entered Hickory town with little resistance and then attacked Bell town to rescue the German agent, Herr Pantaunus. The troops landed at this point under a heavy fire and immediately stormed it. One man was killed and several wounded. Sixty men held the plateau two hours against 400 men firing from the bush. When the support arrived they stormed and burned Joss town. The natives meanwhile murdered Herr Pantaunus. Subsequent to these engagements the cruisers bombarded Hickory town. No further outbreak occurred.

FRANCE.

CLOCKED BY ENEMIES.

PARIS, Jan 10—M Lisa, editor of the *Gil Blas*, who was savagely attacked in the brothels Bullerick the other night, and dangerously wounded one of them has been released from arrest. Radical papers announce there will be a meeting on Sunday to congratulate Duc on his narrow escape. A number of London socialists will be present. Norbert Salter is the man wounded by Duc, who is now in the condition and his life is not considered in

GERMANY

A PROPOSED SUBSIDY.

BERLIN, Jan 10. The budget committee of the reichstag has under consideration to-day the question of subsidizing a steamship line to Australia. Herr Von Boetticher, minister of the interior, said he was undecided whether the steamers of the proposed line should start from Genoa or Trieste. It is important that they all the conditions now

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

Advices from Buenos Ayres represent the financial crisis as serious, that a general suspension of cash payments is imminent.

Several earthquake shocks occurred Friday at Turon, twelve miles east of Malaga. Ten shocks were made in the earth by the shock.

Doctor Schaepman, political leader of the Catholics in the Netherlands, has issued a declaration in favor of absolute liberty of education. He would have the state exercise no control beyond the examination of teachers.

At Jackson, Mich., Saturday evening Samuel A. Holcomb was acquitted of the murder of Jacob Couch, the jury being out four hours and forty-five minutes. The same evidence applies to Judd Couch, now awaiting trial, and the latter's acquittal appears certain.

CLOSED ITS DOORS.

LANCASTER, Pa., Jan 10.—The Farmers bank of Elizabethtown, this county, owned by Samuel Eby, closed its doors to-day, owing to a run upon it early yesterday. It confessed judgment in various parties to the amount of $30,000. The liabilities aggregate $80,000. Assets are unknown, but depositors are likely to lose heavily.

PRESS PITH

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